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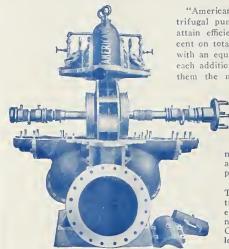
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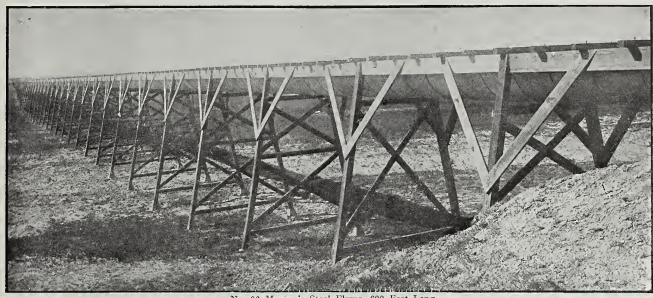
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L. D. Boyed.

Hood River, Oregon, November 18, 1909. This is to certify that I used Cooper's V1 Spray for fungus, according to directions, on six acres of Newtowns last March, of which last year was about 20 per cent fungus, this year not more than one per cent. The spray is easy to prepare and very agreeable to apply, and I consider it the most economical spray I ever used. I use the finest nozzle, with a high pressure, and choose a quiet day for spraying to get the best results.

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J. R. Crosby.

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Yours very truly,
M. D. Odell.

Hood River, Oregon, November 20, 1909.

Mr. C. G. Roberts:

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383—80 acres 1½ miles only from Husum, ½ mile from the White Salmon River, which affords excellent trout fishing. The electric plant (located at the Falls of the White Salmon) is located only 1½ miles from this tract, thus insuring electric lights and power if wanted. Land in this vicinity is becoming scarce, being in the center of the White Salmon Valley. This eighty could be profitably sub-divided or made a large colony proposition with plenty of water for all purposes. Price this month only \$75 an acre; half cash, balance 4 years, 8 per cent.

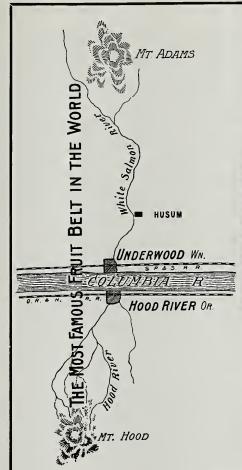
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Space does not allow publishing our entire list, ranging in price from \$25 an acre up; the above numbers are a few of our best values this month. Would advise anyone contemplating purchasing a tract of orchard land to do so before prices advance.

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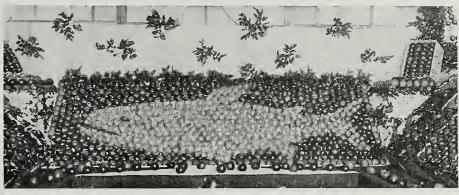
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### GROWING STRAWBERRIES AND CARING FOR THEM

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HEN the editor of "Better Fruit" wrote the writer, asking for an article on strawberry culture, he put the case this way: "Suppose I came to you and said I wanted to set five acres to strawberries. I would want you to tell me what kind to plant, how to plant them, how to prepare the soil, how to set them, how to cultivate them, what different diseases affected the strawberry and how to treat them, and how to harvest the crop, and something about marketing the fruit."

That is a decidedly large assignment, but I shall essay to touch each of the points named without, of course, going exhaustively into the subject. In the first place, it is well to consider the fact that Oregon is a far cry from Michigan, and that the same methods which may properly obtain in Michigan would not be strictly followed under the peculiar conditions of soil and climate that are found in the Pacific Coast country. Therefore, what is said here will have to do with conditions as they are found in the territory, generally speaking, east of the Rocky Mountains, and will be modified to suit the conditions of the individual grower outside of the section named.

The first step toward successful strawberry production is pure-bred, vigorous plants, having a tendency to large yields of high-quality berries. If good plants were offered at \$10 per thousand and poor plants were offered for the digging of them, the latter would be the more expensive of the two. This is not peculiar to strawberry plants, for the orchardists of the Pacific Coast country, as well as in all other countries, have discovered that to set out poor stock represents a tremendous economic loss, and very frequently results in bankruptcy of the man who sets out the poor stock. Having secured good plants, the strawberry grower has taken the initial step toward large success. Under conditions which obtain throughout the greater part of the Pacific Coast country, almost any variety of strawberries will yield large quantities of fruit. But among those which have made extraordinary large records are August Luther, Senator Dunlap, Wm. Belt, Haverland, Glen Mary, Brandywine, Pride of Michigan, Cardinal, Sample and Stevens' Late Champion. Clark's Seedling, or Hood River, as it is sometimes called, is perhaps the most popular variety in the Hood River and White Salmon districts.

One Oregon grower reports that he sold \$1,500 worth of August Luther berries from a single acre in one season; one California grower reports \$2,500 sales of fruit from two acres in one season, from

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mixed varieties; one British Columbia grower gathered 53,000 quarts of fruit from four acres in the season of 1908, and said that under a more perfect system of handling the fields he would have done still better. All the plants involved in these reports were thoroughbreds, and to that single fact may be attributed in large part the success these growers have made. Thoroughbred plants have the honor of having topped the Portland market in 1908 and 1909. This indicates quality of fruit as well as quantity in yield, and both of these are essential to the permanent success of the strawberry grower who expects to market his fruit.

Having plants of the high quality referred to here, the strawberry grower has every incentive to do his very best. And the next step is to secure the soil conditions essential to the development of the highest fruiting powers of these plants. As I have indicated above, almost any strawberry plant will grow almost anywhere. No other fruit is so ubiquitous as the strawberry. It peeps its head out from the Alpine snows with the first breath of spring, and it flourishes with great vigor in the sub-tropics. It is successfully grown in the heaviest of clay soils, although its natural habitat is sandy loam, or some other kind of friable soil. But whether the grower lives North or South, or East or West, he always may be sure of having an abundance of strawberries where plants and soil cultural methods are what they should be.

Answering the editor's question as to what the man who has planned to set out five acres to strawberries should do in this direction, I would say that the first step in soil preparation is to load the soil up sufficiently with plant food for the perfect development of the fruit-



FIGURE 1—A PROPERLY PRUNED PLANT



FIGURE 2—SETTING THE PLANT



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FIGURE 3—THE PLANT PROPERLY SET

ing powers of his plants. To do this in most sections means the use of large quantities of barnyard manure, and where this is obtainable nothing else will be necessary in most soils. Every dollar spent in this fertility will come back to the grower many times over. Haul out upon the field a sufficient quantity of manure to give every inch of soil a light cover. It should be distributed with a manure spreader if you would secure the largest results at the least expenditure of fertility. Where manure is spread thus thinly over the soil, there is no danger of making the soil too rich.

The next step is the breaking up of the ground, and a good farmer knows that it is a prime essential that the soil be broken to a uniform depth throughout. In breaking up your fields, it is impossible, of course, to avoid what is known as a "back furrow," but it is not impossible to avoid leaving unbroken this undesirable furrow, and this may be accomplished by throwing the first furrow back into its original place. This will doubtless leave a slight ridge, but there is no soil but what has been broken up by this means, and it may, therefore, be worked into a perfectly mellow state. The depth to which soil should be broken depends upon its nature and formation. In deep soil one may go as deeply as eight inches, but in shallow soils the depth should not exceed from four to six inches.

The nature of the soil must be considered also in the way in which it is

to be handled from the view-point of mechanical condition. In the case of sandy soils where particles are coarse, the surface should be rolled and thoroughly compacted before the plants are set, so that the plants may rest firmly in the soil. Care must be taken that the roots of plants have air, and nothing should be done that will interfere with their respiratory processes. It is quite as important, however, that they be not given too much air, and unless this loose, coarse soil is properly compacted, too much air will reach the roots of the plants. Not only are these suggestions intended for sandy soils, but for any of the light soils, such as obtain in so many sections of the Pacific Coast country.

Clay soil should be given just the reverse treatment. Clay, by its nature, is compact, and it is one of the points which all soil culturists who work in clay soil must meet, namely, the preservation of the circulation of air at all times. Therefore, instead of rolling the clay soil to make it compact, as in the case of light and coarse soils, it is necessary that the clay soil be constantly stirred while the plants are growing. in order that the processes of decay of plant-food materials in the soil shall be normally maintained. It follows naturally, therefore, that cultivation of clay soil will be deeper than that of sandy soils, and it is our experience that four inches is none too deep. In cultivating, care must be taken, of course, to see that the teeth of the cultivator do not cut the roots of the plants. We find

that the way to avoid any trouble of this kind is to have the two rear teeth of the cultivator, which, of course, come nearest the plant, from one to two inches shorter than the teeth which work in the center of the rows. Any blacksmith will shorten the teeth to suit one's particular requirements. Where the soil is heavy, go over it with a five-tooth cultivator as frequently as once every two weeks.

In the consideration of soils, however, let it be remembered that so much does not depend upon the nature of the soil as it does upon the grower's proper handling of the particular soil in which he is working. Have a care also that no work is done in wet clay soil either before or after plants are set, until the soil is once more in a "crumbly" condition and forms a soft, grainy surface.

Few fields of growing things are more beautiful than one given over to strawberries, where the strawberries are set out in straight rows and are given the attention their importance merits. Every grower, therefore, should take a pride in seeing that his plants are set out properly. This is a very simple matter, but it is necessary, before beginning the work of setting out the plants that the rows in which they are to be set are distinctly marked out. A very simple device is made by taking a piece of scantling six feet long; cut it into thirds. sawing diagonally so as to leave each piece the shape of a sled runner. Then take an inch-thick board four inches wide, and if the rows are to be set three



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feet apart, the board should be six feet long. To either end spike a runner, a third runner being directly in the center, and you will have as perfect a marker as is necessary to do the work. Attach a chain or rope to this runner, keep a sharp eye upon some given point at the end of the plat toward which you are drawing the marker, and the rows will be ideally straight.

With the soil in condition and properly marked out, and the plants in hand, the next step is the pruning of the plant. Some people insist upon setting the plant just as it comes from the nursery. This is a great mistake, for no plant is properly ready for setting until it is pruned. Pruning involves the cutting off of nearly all of the foliage of the plant and cutting back about one-third of its roots. When the roots are thus cut back the wound quickly callouses, and numerous small feeders at once start into growth and go to feeding upon the plant food in the soil. Any one with a sharp pair of shears can do the work of pruning and do it very rapidly, and the results which follow from pruning are valuable beyond estimate.

In setting them out, great consideration must be given to the sex of the plants. Nicholas Longworth, who was one of the pioneers of Ohio, was the discoverer of the fact that sex in plants is quite as distinct as it is in animals, and the strawberry grower who fails to

observe this fact in practice is doomed to bitter disappointment. Various terms are used to describe the differences in sex. The male plant is variously called bisexual (because it really is bisexual and is self-propagating and self fruitproducing); it is a staminate and also is called perfect-flowering. The female plant is designated as imperfect-flowering and is a pistillate. Let it be understood at the outset that male plants may be grown successfully without mating, although our experience has taught us that even male plants are benefited by an exchange of pollen with other male plants. But the pistillate plant will not fruit without being mated with a male or bisexual or staminate variety. The pollen of the staminate, when it bursts forth from the anthers, will spread for a considerable distance, and it is perfectly safe to set three rows of pistillate plants between two rows of male plants. The effectiveness of this method, however, will be increased by setting on one side of the rows of pistillates an early bisexual, and on the other side a late bisexual, so that both the early and late bloom of the pistillate variety may become impregnated by the earlier and late pollen of the flanking male varieties. For instance, suppose the grower has 100 August Luther, 300 Haverland and 100 Pride of Michigan, and his rows are 100 plants long. Row No. 1 will be set to August Luther, rows 2, 3 and 4 to Haverland, and row No. 5 to Pride of Michigan. This would secure the perfect pollenation of the Haverland variety, and every bloom of the entire five rows should yield a perfect berry. Of course, one may set but one row of pistillates if desirable, or two rows, but as many as three rows will thus be perfectly fertilized when set as above indicated.

We have now reached the point where we are to begin the work of setting the plants into the soil. This is a very simple operation, and to one who is practiced in the work, a very rapid operation. One never should go into the field to set plants in his Sunday-go-to-meeting clothes, for in doing this work he comes into actual contact with Mother Earth, and would be likely to spoil a good suit. Before going into the field, the setter should pad his left knee with a piece of gunny sack or some similar material, so that he can get right down to the work in hand. The best implement to use in performing this work is a dibble, made of steel, which the setter thrusts into the soil to a depth of about six inches, pressing it from him to make an opening, and holding it in that position so that the dirt will not fall back into the opening. Holding the soil thus, he seizes a plant in the left hand, shakes it vigorously so that the roots will be spread out and sets it down into the soil, holding the crown so that it will

be on a level with the surface of the ground when the setting is complete. Then withdraw the dibble and plunge it into the soil about two inches from the opening, to force the soil against the plant, while with the left hand he presses to soil against the plant from the other side. I have seen trained setters put out more than 2,000 plants a day. Carry the plants in a basket partially covered, to protect the plants from the action of the air, pushing the basket before you as you move down the row. In this way your field will be quickly set and, if these instructions are carefully observed, it will be perfectly set.

In setting out plants in sections where irrigation is followed, the better plan to follow is to make a trench or deep furrow and turn on the water, letting it run until the ground is filled to its full capacity. Then, when the water has settled out of sight, take the plants and laying them on one side of the open furrow, draw the earth from the other side about the roots clear up to the crown, pressing the earth about them as described above. Then turn on the

water once more, this time running it in the furrows in the center of the spaces between the rows of plants, allowing the water to seep thence to the roots of the plants.

Just as soon as the plants are fairly set in the ground cultivation should begin and be repeated every eight or ten days thereafter, and always after a rain or irrigation. Be careful, however, that the work is not done too soon after the rain. Before cultivating all the rainfall or water from irrigation should have settled into the carth and the surface become "crumbly." On the other hand, the grower must be careful not to wait until crust has begun to form. The formation of the crust means the setting up of capillary action, which results in the rapid evaporation of the water from the soil into the air. The surface of the ground should always be covered with fine particles of dust, which break up this capillary action and thus conserve the moisture in the soil. Another valuable element in cultivation is the fact that where intensive cultivation is practiced, constant supplies of plant food are brought to the roots of

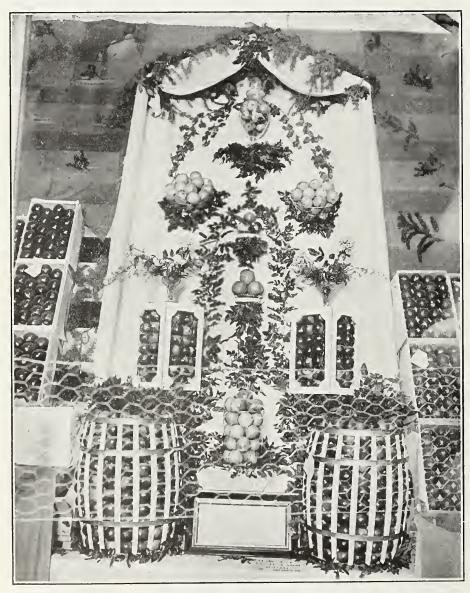
the plants and rapid and continuous development of the plant's fruiting powers is thus insured.

The grower must note the effect of cultivation upon his plants. Over-feeding encourages excessive foliage, for instance, and as soon as the grower discovers a tendency of this sort he should reduce the frequency of cultivating until the foliage takes on a more normal development. This tendency is noted particularly in some varieties. while other varieties will endure almost constant cultivation and thrive under it. One of the pleasures of fruit growing. and it is especially marked in strawberry culture, comes from the study of the nature of different plants and practicing just those methods which will produce the right results in the several varieties

The hoe is an essential in the strawberry field, and where this in intelligently wielded, plants are constantly surrounded by soft, friable soil filled with plant food which is rendered more readily available by the changes in the soil's mechanical condition thus made. Hoeing keeps down the weeds, which are greedy feeders of the elements which should go to support the strawberry plant and produce large quantities of fruit. Too much attention cannot be given to this branch of the work.

It is remarkable how soon after the plants are set that they begin to multiply runners. Just what the grower shall do with the first few runners is determined by the system he has decided upon. For instance, if he intends to cultivate by the hill system, he will pinch off all runners as fast as they appear. If he purposes to grow the plants by the single-hedge row he will allow two runners to form, and pinch off all the remaining runners, and will lay these two runners directly in the row with the mother plant, one to be at one side and one on the other. If he decides upon the double-hedge row for his system he will permit four or six runner plants to develop and will layer them in a zig-zag fashion. In any event, he will pinch or cut off all runners in excess of the number he has determined upon, and the layering should be done with an eye to the amount of room which each individual runner plant is to have in which to develop itself and its crop of fruit.

One important matter to be considered at this time is the condition of the mother plant. If the mother plant be strong and vigorous, she may be permitted to develop the first runners that form. If, however, she indicates signs of weakness, it is better to allow her to develop her own strength before attempting to propagate runners. Every runner plant that is allowed to grow to a certain degree draws upon the vitality of the mother plant. This in indicated very clearly by the way in which plants under the hill system develop great roots and crowns, and yield tremendous crops of furit. However, the commercial strawberry grower cannot consider the hill system, as it involves too much personal labor to care for the



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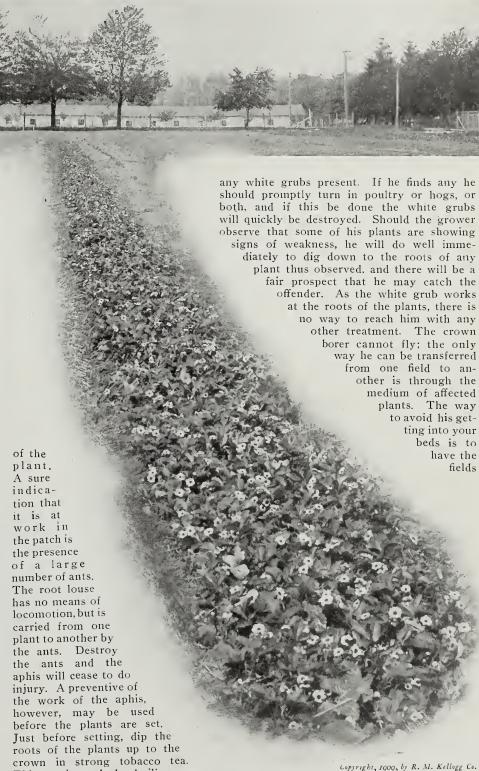
plants, and extensive growers of strawberries find the double-hedge row the one most satisfactory from the viewpoint of quantity of yield and the size of the berries. Matted rows, while yielding a very large quantity of fruit, do not develop the large and beautiful berries that may be developed under any one of the other systems—the single-hedge, double-hedge or the hill systems.

Not long after the plants commence to develop and when the warm days of late spring

have come, the young plants will manifest their energy by developing fruit buds and bloom. But the strawberry plant should be considered as being somewhat in the nature of a fruit tree, and like the fruit tree, must be given some time in which to develop sufficient strength for the production of great crops of fruit. Therefore, it is always wise to pinch off all bloom as fast as it appears upon the young plants, and permit no fruit whatever to be developed from the first set of blooms that appear upon the plants. It may be set down as a rule, from which there will be few exceptions, that the strawberry plant which has been compelled to endure the shock of transplanting and is allowed to fruit its first bloom will never attain its greatest fruiting powers. It is of highest importance, then, that the first bloom be carefully plucked from all plants if the grower would secure the largest possible results from his plants. Be very sure to pinch off every bud before it opens, as this will insure your young plants against pollen exhaustion. Pollen exhaustion always results in a yield of fruit deficient in both quantity and quality.

Compared with many other fruits, the strawberry has few enemies, and in some sections of the country the strawberry grower is almost entirely relieved from anxiety in this regard. However, there are certain insects which have a fondness for the strawberry, and there are fungous diseases which attack it. It is the part of wisdom, therefore, for all growers to be ready at any time to meet these enemies and to either destroy them utterly or keep them under such complete control as to make it impossible for them to do serious damage.

Among the insects which attack the strawberry are the aphis or root louse, the strawberry beetle, the leaf roller, the strawberry, the slug, the saw fly, the crown borer, the crown miller and the white grub. Some of these are found in some sections of the country and some in other sections; some of them will develop under certain weather conditions, or remain completely dormant where conditions do not encourage their appearance or multiplication. In the case of the beetle, the leaf roller, the slug and the saw fly the treatment is arsenate of lead or paris green, with either of which the plants should be sprayed as frequently as every ten days after their presence is discovered. The aphis or root louse works at the roots



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pound of tobacco stems in five gallons of water for twenty minutes. When this tea has been cooled, dip the plants as described. The tobacco is so offensive to the aphis that it will not work upon roots thus treated.

This tea is made by boiling one

The white grub is one of the most serious menaces to the strawberry, as the roots of the plants are his especial delight. In this case, prevention again is better than cure, and the grower should be very careful when he is plowing in the field in which he intends to set strawberry plants to note if there be

perfectly clean and free from old plants before setting new ones. If the fields are affected by the crown miner, the only thing to do is to burn over the fields just as soon as the crop is picked. No other remedy has as yet been discovered for this pest. However, the crown borer and the crown miner are very infrequent visitors to the strawberry patch.

There are several fungous diseases which affect the strawberry plant. These depend very largely for their spread

upon the weather conditions. Mildew, blight and rust—all are readily checked by proper spraying with bordeaux mixture, made according to the following formula: Four pounds lime slaked in four gallons of hot water; four pounds blue vitriol thoroughly dissolved in four gallons of water; to this add sufficient water to make one barrel of forty gallons. Where both fungous growths and insect pests affect the plants, paris green (or arsenate of lead) may be added to the bordeaux mixture and applied at one spraying.

The importance of prevention, both as respects insect pests and fungous diseases, cannot be too strongly emphasized. Clean cultivation, no dirty fence corners, no weeds-nothing that will afford a place of residence for insect pests-should ever be permitted near a strawberry field. This kind of cleanliness will have an important effect in many ways in keeping the fields free from dangers of this order.

In many sections of the Pacific Coast country mulching as a protection from frost and the effects of frost, is unnecessary. But whether one considers mulching from the viewpoint of severe weather or not, he is compelled to consider it from the viewpoint of clean and beautiful fruit. It is a practical impossibility to grow clean, fine fruit for the market without mulching the field. In the North, where frosty days and frostier nights come in the fall and linger with



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increasing chill throughout the long winter season, mulching is an absolute necessity for the reason that it prevents alternate freezing and thawing which, if permitted, will cause the earth to heave and break off the roots of the plants, thus weakening them and frequently destroying their usefulness. In the North, therefore, the mulching should be applied after the first severe freeze, and allowed to remain until thawing weather begins in the spring. Usually it is well to cover the field to a depth of about two inches with straw, although directly over the plants themselves a less amount of straw will serve. In the

South and in the Pacific Coast country where frosts do not affect the plants, straw or other form of mulching should be placed between the rows of plants and close up under the foliage, so that the ripening fruit may rest upon a clean carpet and thus go to market sweet, clean, wholesome and attractive.

The range of materials used is a broad one. All of the straws-wheat, oats, rye and buckwheat, are excellent. Marsh hay answers very well. Along the Atlantic Coast seaweed is very generally used for this purpose, and in the South pine needles make the clean carpet upon which the Southern crop of strawberries are ripened.

> After the first crop of fruit has been harvested the vines should be mowed off close to the ground. If the fields be extensive, use a two-horse mowing machine. Where a small field only is devoted to strawberries, the scythe will answer very well. Then, after the vines have become dead and dry, take a forkful of straw, go to the side of the patch from which the wind is blowing, set the straw on fire and walk along the entire side of the field holding the forkful of burning straw close enough to the ground to set fire to the mulching. The wind will carry the blaze so quickly across the field that it will consume all the old waste material, as well as weed seeds, insects and fungous spores, without in the slightest degree injuring the plant crowns. Of course, this work must not be done unless the field is dry, and if a rain has fallen since the mowing over of the patch, be very careful and do not do the burning until it has become thoroughly dry. And if it does not dry thoroughly, then make no attempt to burn

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over the field.



This photo-engraving shows us taking the mother plants from the breeding bed for further breeding and propagation. The foliage is so large that the division between the plants taken from different mother plants is hardly visible. You will note to the right the mulching lies in winrows which has been raked off of the rows we are digging, and on the stakes you will note the number representing the mother plant which produced these plants. You will also note the men in the rear pruning the plants before they go into the crates. This erate represents our method of carrying plants from the breeding bed to the propagating bed. The tag on the crate bears the name of the variety, and you will note the lid shades the plants from the sun. Our method of growing the plants, digging and transferring them to the propagating bed precludes any possible danger of getting varieties mixed. We would not be afraid to offer to pay any one's expenses to this farm from any part of the United States or Canada and allow him ten dollars a day for his time if he can find a single stray plant mixed with any variety. Every variety is absolutely pure and true to name

### ORCHARD PESTS-BROWN MITE AND RED SPIDER

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THE dry climate of Colorado favors the multiplication of mites, among the more common and troublesome of which are the two species treated in this bulletin. Throughout the year these two species have been found quite generally distributed in the orchard sections of the Western Slope, and in some localities their injury to fruit trees was quite severe. Very often both species are found on the same tree, and no little confusion exists among orchardists in separating one from the other.

Because of the prevalence and severity of these pests it was thought best to carry on some experiments to determine how they may best be controlled. The results of these experiments, along with a general discussion of the life histories of the two species of mites, are given in this bulletin.

The mites are not true insects, having eight legs when adult. They are classified as an order of the Arachnida, to which class the spiders belong.

THE BROWN MITE

Bryobia pratensis Garman. Plate I, Figure 1

Life History—There are three distinct stages in the life cycle of the brown mite. Beginning with the egg, a short account of each stage follows:

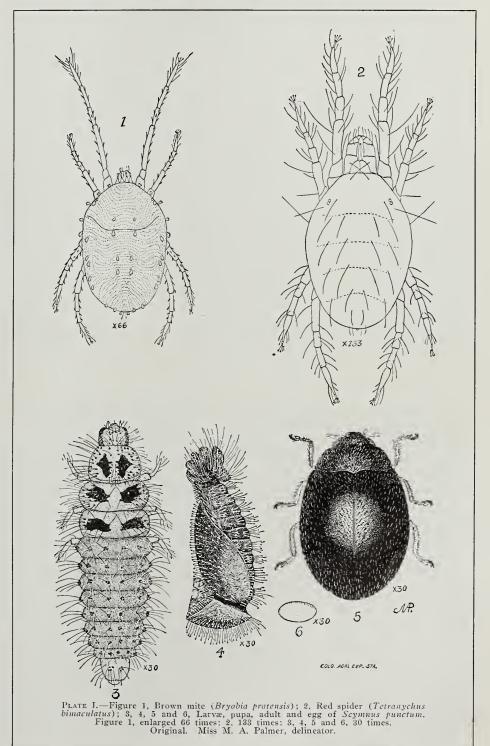
Most orchardists have seen the tiny red, globular eggs on fruit trees during the winter months, and are aware that they are the eggs of the brown mite. The winter is spent principally in the egg stage in Colorado. The over-winter eggs are deposited before the end of the summer season. This year practically no living mites could be found after the first of August at Grand Junction or Delta, the eggs having been deposited previous to that date. On August 16 an occasional specimen of this mite can be found, but they are very rare, and no more damage need be expected of them this season. The eggs are usually deposited on the trunk and limbs of trees, the crotches being favorite places. (See Figure 7.) Often the bark is covered several layers deep with these eggs. By rubbing one's finger over the egg masses and crushing them, the bark of the tree may be made to assume almost a blood red color. We have found these eggs more numerous on pear, cherry, plum, prune, and almond than on any other orchard trees, the degree of infestation corresponding to the order in which the trees are named. Shortly after the warm weather of spring comes on, the tiny little bright red, six-legged mites may be seen crawling over the leaves and branches. By the first of May they were abundant the past season at Delta, Colorado. Their color remains red until after they moult for the first time, when they are a brownish, or often an olive green color. After this moult they have eight legs, instead of six, which remain with them throughout life. The adult (Plate I., Figure 1) is brown in color, with the exception of the legs and head, which have a reddish hue. The front pair of legs is very long, and are constantly

kept in motion when the mites are feeding, as though they used them to feel their way about on the surface of the leaves. Throughout the months of May, June, and July adult mites are depositing eggs, which may constantly be found on infested trees. If the infestation is severe, not only are their eggs deposited on the bark, but very often a few are deposited on the leaves. They have been noticed principally upon the upper surface, and in the furrow of the mid-rib.

While it is very hard to determine whether or not there is a definite number of broods of this species of mite,

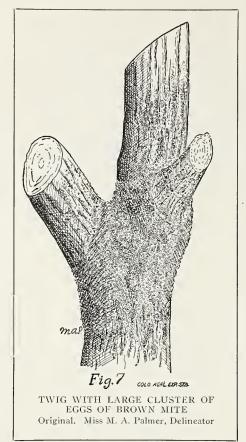
observations the past season strongly indicate that there are but three broods.

Nature and Appearance of Injury—The direct injury from brown mite is confined principally to the foliage. They have been observed feeding upon fruit, and not infrequently have we seen masses of them collected upon the stems where they appeared to be feeding. It is probable that the stems are used mostly as a moulting place. The epidermis of a leaf is pierced by their mandibles and the sap sucked from within. The first sign of infestation of a tree is the pale color of the leaves, not



unlike that caused by leaf hoppers; when not abundant there may be only a few leaves affected. They generally attack the lower leaves first, and unless conditions are favorable to their increase, they may confine themselves largely to the water sprouts and tender twigs at the crotch of the tree. When multiplication is uninterrupted, they may cover the foliage of an entire tree, causing it to turn yellow and drop prematurely, thereby materially weakening the vitality of the tree. Little black specks, the droppings of the mites, render the fruit and foliage unsightly, and while there may be no serious consequences from this source, it probably does sometimes interfere with the looks of a fancy pack of early fruit. Often the fruit of a badly infested tree is small and does not mature properly.

Trees and Plants Infested-The brown mite does not confine its attack to trees, for it was first described as a clover pest. Neither does it confine its attack to orchard trees, for shade trees have been reported infested by them. During our observations of this mite we have not found it on any of our shade trees. Much has been written about it as a household pest, but it seldom, if ever, becomes of any serious consequence in Colorado, where it winters mostly in the egg stage. In the warmer sections of the United States it is said to hibernate as an adult, often migrating into the houses in the fall, where it may trouble the housewife. During the present season they have been found on apple, plum, prune, cherry, pear, peach and almond in abundance. Probably less were seen on peach than any other of these trees. Only in one section were they observed to be of any serious consequence on peach. So common are they on all other kinds of trees mentioned that it would hardly be safe to say that they are more liable to attack one than another. An infested apricot, or quince tree has not been observed.



Remedies—The following experiments were conducted the past summer to determine which of the insecticides used would best control this pest, the applications being made as a spray, except No. 6:

May 4 and 5, Experiment No. 1—Sulphate of nicotine, eight ounces to fifty gallons of water.

. May 4 and 5, Experiment No. 2—Nicofume, nine ounces to fifty gallons of water.

May 4 and 5, Experiment No. 3—Nicofume, six and a half ounces to fifty gallons of water.

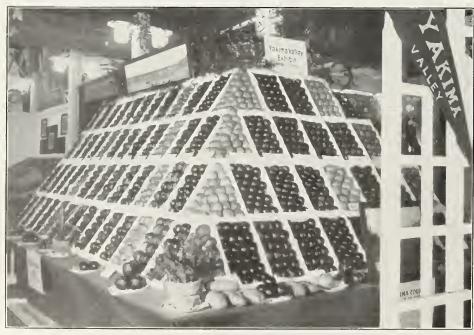


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May 4 and 5, Experiment No. 4—Black leaf, one part to seventy parts of water.

June 4, Experiment No. 5—Flowers of Sulphur, one pound to three gallons of

water.

June 4, Experiment No. 6—Flowers of sulphur as a dust spray.

July 23, Experiment No. 7—Flowers of sulphur, sixty-five pounds to 200 gallons of water and two pounds of whale oil soap.

July 27, Experiment No. 8—The same spray used as in No. 7.

Experiments 1 to 6 inclusive, were conducted by myself. No. 7 was conducted as recommended by me, and No. 8 under my supervision.

Nos. 1 to 6 were in the orchard of Mr. W. E. Obert at Delta; No. 7 in the orchard of Mr. McCarry at Grand Junction, and No. 8 in the orchard of Mr. C. D. Gehman at Grand Junction. Thanks are due these gentlemen for their assistance in the work.

The sulphate of nicotine and nicofume are tobacco preparations manufactured by the Kentucky Tobacco Product Company, at Louisville. The black leaf is also a tobacco preparation manufactured by the same company. All the tobacco sprays were found to be effective in killing the mites touched by them, but apparently had no effect upon the eggs. An examination of the trees twenty-four hours after spraying showed that many of the adult mites had not been killed. It is next to impossible to do a thorough enough job with any spray which will only kill the mites, to sufficiently hold them in check so that they will not damage the trees, as they hide in cracks of the bark, under bud scales, and in so many other places where it is impossible to reach them. A later examination of the trees showed that the eggs were hatching in abundance, and that the adult mites were also abundant. Any spray that will not kill the eggs, and which will not adhere to the foliage until the eggs hatch, is not a practical summer spray for brown mite. If it were possible to do a thorough enough job to kill all mites when the spray is applied and then make a second application later when all the eggs are hatched, that would be effective. Owing to the fact that it is practically impossible to kill all of both eggs and mites, and that the time of hatching of the eggs seems uncertain, the best that could be expected of tobacco sprays would be to keep the mites in check by repeated applications throughout the scason. In the use of sulphur the experiments indicate that we have an absolute remedy for this pest.

In experiments Nos. 5 and 6 four small, badly infested cherry trees were treated, two sprayed with a compressed aid hand pump and two dusted with a bee smoker. It was found that by using a small amount of soap in the water sulphur would mix nicely, so that there was no trouble in applying it as a liquid spray. The best time to apply the sulphur in the dry form would be in the early morning, or late in the evening, when the dampness would cause it to adhere to the foliage. In experiment 6

sulphur was applied as a dust spray, and enough was used so that every leaf received a coating. An examination of trees was made June 7, and to my surprise, not a single adult mite could be seen; there were, however, many of the newly hatched ones. An examination of these trees again June 9 showed the same conditions. On this date a very careful examination was made of egg masses on check and treated trees. The egg masses (Figure 7) are favorite places for the mites to moult, and along with those that are depositing eggs there are always many to be found there in abundance. Twenty-five separate egg masses on sprayed trees were examined with a hand lense and not a single adult mite found. Every egg mass examined on check trees in the same row had from one to a great many mites crawling about over it. The foliage of sprayed trees recovered its normal green color, and remained so throughout the season, standing out in beautiful contrast to that of the untreated trees, many of the leaves of which turned yellow early in the season. Not only was there a difference in the foliage, but the fruit also showed a marked difference, that from check trees being small and worthless, while that from treated trees matured well and was good.

Experiment No. 7 showed just as conclusive results. The 300 pear trees in this experiment began to pick up immediately after spraying, and an improvement in the fruit was soon apparent. The only trouble in this orchard was that the spraying was neglected until too late, as much damage had already been done. An examination a few days after the spraying showed that treated trees were free from mites, while some plum trees in the orchard, which were left untreated, still had many of the mites on the foliage. As the infestation of mites on the pear trees was serious, it is probable that the spray paid for itself, even though it was late before the application was made. Spraying in this experiment was done with a gasoline power outfit. Previous to the time of spraying this orchard with sulphur,



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a black leaf-spray was used with very little success.

In experiment No. 8 twelve cherry and two plum trees were used. The mites were completely exterminated from these trees. One cherry tree was left as a check, and an examination of the trees ten days after spraying failed to reveal the presence of any mites on the treated trees, while on the one check there were still many of them.

I feel that the results of these four experiments with sulphur sprays are conclusive, and that it is perfectly safe to recommend a spray of flowers of sulphur and water for brown mite. While sixty-five pounds to 200 gallons of water were used in these experiments, it is probable that fifty pounds would be enough. A small amount of soap must be used so that the sulphur will mix with the water. If soap is not used the sulphur will remain on the surface and no amount of agitation will mix it. Two pounds of soap to 200 gallons of water is plenty, and probably less will answer the purpose.

Professor Gillette has found that a soluble oil spray is more effective in killing the eggs than are the tobacco sprays. In the case of the mites themselves this was reversed, and tobacco preparations were the more effective. While soluble



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oil might be successfully used as a dormant spray, it is not a reliable remedy where water is strongly alkaline, and if such water is used a thorough mixture cannot be maintained with any of the different brands of soluble oil that the writer has tried to use. Because of this fact none of the soluble oil sprays were used in the experiments.

It has been determined that lime and sulphur, applied when trees are dormant will kill mites. Professor Gillette has experimented with the lime and sulphur sprays upon the eggs of the brown mite and has concluded that they are of no value as far as the destruction of the eggs is concerned. Their efficiency seems to depend upon their power to kill the young mites after they hatch from the eggs. Lime and sulphur is very adhesive, and the sulphides of lime will remain on a tree for months after the spraying has been done. Especially is this true in Colorado, where the rainfall is not great.

#### SUMMARY

- 1. The brown mite has been quite a serious pest in Colorado the past season, doing considerable injury to orchard trees, as well as interfering with the maturity of the fruit.
- 2. The over-winter eggs are deposited in late summer, most of them before the first of August this season; they remain on the trees throughout the winter and hatch shortly after the leaves come out in the spring.
- 3. Apple, peach, plum, cherry, pear and almond trees were found infested. Apricot and quince do not seem to be troubled.
- 4. Mites feed principally upon the foliage where their presence may be noted by the pallied leaves and the tiny black spots of excreta.
  - 5. Flowers of sulphur, one pound to



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three gallons of water, and enough soap so that the sulphur will mix with the water, is a perfectly effective remedy when used as a summer spray.

- 6. Tobacco preparations will kill the mites but not the eggs, and are only effective when repeated applications are made. Oil sprays seem to penetrate the eggs and destroy them better than the tobacco extracts, but are unsafe to use with water strongly impregnated with alkali
- 7. Trees may be treated while dormant with lime and sulphur. This spray has no effect upon the eggs, but probably kills the young mites as they hatch.

THE RED SPIDER
Tetranychus bimaculatus Harvey. Plate I, Figure 2

Although there are a number of different species of red spiders, or spinning mites, we have found only one specie infesting orchard trees in Western Colorado. While in most localities it was probably not responsible for as much damage as the brown mite, still it was of somewhat serious consequence, and is a pest to be watched, and combatted if necessary, to keep it from becoming injurious the coming season.

Life History-Both species of mites treated in this article belong to the same family, but differ from each other in many important respects. The eggs of the red spider are deposited chiefly on the under surface of leaves. An examination of infested trees will reveal the presence of these tiny, transparent eggs. resembling minute dew-drows attached to the surface of a leaf, or interwoven among the silvery threads which the mites are capable of spinning. As is the case with the brown mite, these have only six legs when first hatched, the fourth pair developing later. The adult (Figure 2) is somewhat smaller than the adult brown mite and the fore pair of legs are much shorter, as is shown in the figures. When the mites are seen with the aid of a glass upon the surface of a leaf the legs appear much shorter than they do in the drawing, for the reason that they are not extended to their full length while the mites are feeding, or while at rest, while those of the brown mite are nearly always extended to their full length. A glance through any ordinary hand lens is all that is necessary to be able to distinguish the brown mite from the red spider, because of this characteristic. When first hatched this specie of red spider is light green, with small dark colored spots on the back. Later the color may change from a light green

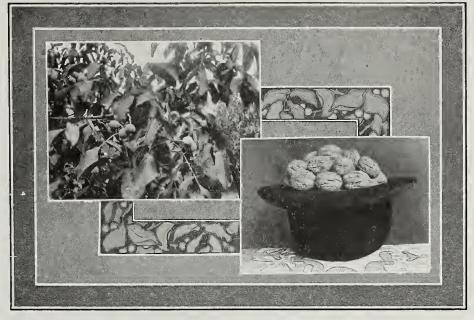


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to a deep brown or a bright red. Owing to the variability of color this character cannot be depended upon at all in the identification of the species. The spots also vary in size and placing on different individuals. Generation after generation of the mites appear during the summer months, and at all times of the season there may be found eggs, and all other stages of the mites upon the leaves.

The winter is spent in the ground, and here we have an important difference in the life history of the two species treated in this article. On August 9, myriads of red mites were found in the ground at the crowns of trees upon which they had been feeding. At this time they were all red in color. Although most of them occurred close to the trunks of trees, some were found at a distance of ten feet away, where they had crawled beneath clods of soil, undoubtedly to remain over winter. It is probable that out of the large numbers that leave the foliage and enter hibernation quarters only a very few survive the winter. In the early spring, when the foliage begins to grow, these few crawl out of their winter quarters, ascend the trunks of trees and deposit their eggs for the perpetuation of the species. On last April 7 a number of these mites were found trapped in a "Tree Tanglefoot" band, which had been applied to the trunk of an apple tree to catch the migrating wooly aphids which wintered in the ground.

The Nature and Appearance of Their Injury—The injury from this species is similar to that of the brown mite. The leaves of an infested tree are often yellow in spots, which present a blister-like appearance. This condition has not been observed with brown mite injury, and is due to the red spiders spinning their webs over certain small areas of the leaves, and feeding within those areas.



ENGLISH WALNUTS, LINN COUNTY, OREGON

The webs are always found on leaves injured by red spider, and when the orchardist finds these webs he can rest assured that he has red spider to contend with, as the brown mite does not have the power of spinning a web.

Trees and Plants Infested—In every case, mite injury to shade trees observed the past season was due to this species of red spider, and not to the brown mite. It has been observed on the same fruit trees as the latter, but in addition it has been commonly found on poplar, ash, and walnut, as well as a great variety of herbaceous plants. In many cases small fruits have been damaged severely. Raspberry, currant and gooseberry bushes have probably been the greatest sufferers among the small fruits. The injury in this case is the same as to

the trees. The leaves are sapped of their vitality, turn yellow and drop early. The fruit is small, often not maturing sufficiently to be salable.

Remedies-Last season the writer tried to kill this pest on some rose bushes at Delta, Colorado, by using a spray of black leaf extract, using one part of the black leaf to sixty-five parts of water. A small compressed air spray pump was used, and as thorough an application as it was possible to make was given the bushes. At first it appeared as though the tobacco was thoroughly effective, but an examination of the bushes the next day showed that while a great many of the mites had been killed, many live ones were still crawling over the leaves, and the eggs did not seem to be affected in the least. In about a week's time the bush was sprayed again, and finally was sprayed a third time by the owner, and even then it seemed impossible to kill enough of the pests so that they would not damage the bushes.

Recently the sulphur spray (sulphur one pound, water three gallons) recommended for the brown mite, was tried on three small peach trees at Palisade, and the results were highly gratifying. Trees were sprayed on August 12, and on August 17 an examination showed the leaves to be entirely free from red spider, while untreated trees close by were just as badly infested as upon the day of spraying.

Early in August Mr. R. B. Cassells, who has an orchard on Fruit Ridge, Grand Junction, complained of a few of his plum trees being infested with the spiders. A sulphur spray was recommended and applied, and again the results were perfect. The trees not only recovered somewhat of their normal color but the fruit also improved rapidly.

The only objection that might arise to a spray of sulphur so late in the season would be the odor it would give to the fruit of sprayed trees. It is not probable, however, that any trouble would arise from this source, except



ORCHARD SCENES, ALBANY, OREGON

possibly in the case of peaches, where the fuzz would cause the sulphur to Of course, trees should be adhere. sprayed as soon as the injury begins, and should not be allowed to remain unsprayed until the end of the season, when practically all of the injury has been done to them. The use of a sulphur spray upon small fruit bushes cannot be too strongly recommended, as these are so often materially injured by red spiders.

Natural Enemies-The principal enemies of the red spider found during the season's observations, were the lacewinged flies, and a small, black species of lady-bird bcetle which Professor Gillette has determined for me as Scymnus punctum. (See Figures 3, 4, 5 and 6 of Plate I.)

Several times during the season lacewinged fly larvae have been observed on leaves infested with mites, and no doubt they were feeding upon them. The little lady-bird was found quite abundant on infested peach trees in one orchard at Palisade. It is a tiny black beetle, so small that the orchardist might not become aware of its presence in an orchard even though it should occur in abundance. The larvae are also of a blackish color, and can be readily seen on the leaves when they are feeding upon the mites. The drawings of this lady-bird were made from specimens collected by Professor Gillette at Greeley and Fort Collins, Colorado. Professor Gillette found them specially common on elm and plum leaves, where they were feeding upon red spiders and working for the most part beneath the webs. He has briefly described the different stages of this beetle as follows:

'The eggs are very small, pale yellow objects, oval in shape, and are deposited singly upon their sides. They are almost too small to be seen by the unaided eye, as they measure barely one-third of a millimeter (one-seventy-fifth of an inch) in length.



YOUNG ORCHARD AT VERNON, BRITISH COLUMBIA

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"The grubs or larvae are dusky to blackish in color, rather hairy, the hairs being simple and arising in clusters from minute tubercles.

"The pupa is uniform blackish in color and is covered with short golden hairs, most of which terminate in a knob.

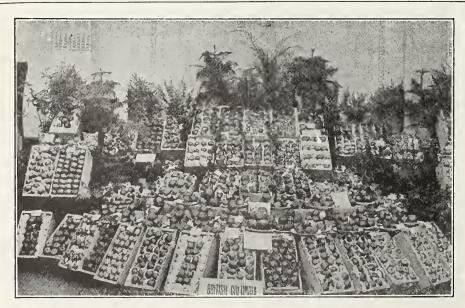
"The adult beetles are dull black, with the tibiae and tarsi (lower portion of the legs) pale yellow, and the dorsal surface is set with short golden hairs that are not capitate, but pointed; the general form is almost circular, and the length about one and one-third millimeters (one-twentieth of an inch).'

#### SUMMARY

- 1. Only one species of red spider has been found injuring orchard trees in Western Colorado.
- 2. Eggs are deposited in the spring by mites that have hibernated over winter in the soil, or beneath rubbish of any kind in the orchard. Hibernation began as early as August 9 this season, and myriads of the little red pests were found in the ground at Palisade on that date.
- 3. Many fruit and shade trees are attacked by the mites. Small fruits are often severely injured and herbaceous plants of all kinds seem to be subject to attack. When fruit trees are badly infested the fruit is usually small and does not mature properly.
- 4. A sulphur spray, the same as is recommended for the brown mite, is probably better than anything else that could be used during the summer months.
- 5. The natural enemies of the red spider that were noticed during the season were the lace-winged flies and a minute black species of lady-bird beetle (Seymnus punctum).

Credit is heartily accorded Miss M. A. Palmer, who made all the drawings for this article.

GOOD ROADS in Chelan County, Washington, is a matter which is now receiving serious consideration from the local good roads enthusiasts, who are planning a permanent organization. A temporary organization will soon be formed and commercial bodies throughout the county will be asked to send delegates. It is proposed to bond the county for between \$100,000 and \$200,000, to be used to macadamize and fix all main thoroughfares of the valley. The road from Wenatchee to Leavenworth will lead through the choicest portions of the Wenatchee Valley. It is proposed that a publicity bureau be organized. The county auditor says interest on the bonds will be less than the cost of repairing the roads.—Spokane Spokesman-Review. the cost of man-Review.



FINE EXHIBIT OF FRUIT FROM VERNON, BRITISH COLUMBIA Courtesy of Dickson Land Company, Ternon. British Columbia

### THE OLSEN FRUIT COMPANY, NORTH YAKIMA, WASH.

BY HARRY G. MOOCK

HAT is known now as the Olsen Fruit Company's Ranch, composed of one hundred and twenty-six acres of the finest fruit land in the Northwest, was the original home-

stead of Mr. Purdy J. Flint (now retired), one of the first settlers in the Yakima Valley. Located in the famous Parker Bottom district, sixteen miles from North Yakima, this ranch has been a leader, both in size and production, for years. Mr. Flint, after having farmed it successfully for eighteen years, retired with enough worldly goods to keep him comfortable for the rest of his days. The gentleman named transferred his holdings to the present owners, The Olsen Fruit Company, of which M. E. Olsen is president and active manager, and who, with the aid of the science of modern horticulture and with the practical knowledge gleaned by himself, has brought the property to a high state of productiveness.

The water right owned by the Olsen Fruit Company is

considered the best in the Yakima Valley, and one of their most valuable assets, due to the fact that the corporation, when building the present Sunnyside canal, found it necessary to survey the line of the present ditch parallel to the ditch built by the pioneers forty

years ago, known as the Konnewock ditch, which at that time was the canal used to furnish water to the ranchers of the upper Parker Bottom district. It was then proposed by the corporation Government, through the Department of the Interior, in the course of reclaiming the arid lands bought the Sunnyside canal, and in so doing recognized the agreement made by them with the



INTERIOR VIEW OF PACKING HOUSE OF OLSEN FRUIT COMPANY, YAKIMA VALLEY, WASHINGTON One of the best arranged in the Northwest for convenience, light, etc.

building the Sunnyside canal to take over the Konnewock ditch and use the same as the main canal for the Sunnyside, granting to the ranchers thereunder for this privilege a free, perpetual and nonassessable water right. This plan was accepted by the ranchers. The

ranchers; therefore, all the ranches that now receive their water from the Sunnyside canal have the personal guarantee of the Government that at all times will they be furnished with water according to the rights in their possession.

This ranch is in possession of ten shares of water stock which

has a value on the open market of six hundred dollars per share.

Eighty-five acres of the ranch is in full bearing orchard and about twenty-six acres in twoyear-old pear trees.

The ranch contains, among other varieties of bearing trees, some fifty acres of fifteen-year-old Italian prunes, which were pruned very heavily during the winter of 1907-8, and are now in fine bearing condition. This last season they produced 21,000 crates, that sold for \$13,000 gross, or an average of sixty-three cents a crate, twenty-two pounds to the crate.

Under advanced conditions of intensified farming it will be possible to raise from forty to fifty thousand crates of prunes on this acreage.

Last year, with only thirty per cent of a crop, the fifteen acres of mixed varieties of eighteen-year-old apple trees produced twenty-five hundred boxes of apples. The extra fancy sold for \$2.50, the fancy for \$1.75 and the choice grade at \$1.25, at the shipping point, Toppenish, four miles from



APPLE ORCHARD OF OLSEN FRUIT COMPANY, YAKIMA VALLEY, WASHINGTON

the ranch. From this same orchard a year ago nine thousand boxes of apples were shipped. The gross income from this acreage under ordinary conditions will easily approximate \$15,000.

There are ten acres of eight-year-old peaches that will easily produce two thousand boxes per acre. Also seven acres of Jonathan and Rome Beauty apples, with seven-year-old Bartlett pear fillers, which will in all probability produce about five hundred boxes of apples and three hundred boxes of pears.

Twenty-six acres of young pears, comprising the best varieties of Bartletts, Anjou, Peabury, Winter Nellis and Comice, make a total of about sixteen thousand trees now planted.

The main part of the orchard was planted on a bench about twenty feet above the main county road. The soil is of a deep, volcanic ash. The young pear orchard, however, was planted below the bench, and since being planted has never been irrigated, the soil being moist enough to give them a good, healthy growth, having grown during the summer and fall from mere twigs to trees measuring over seven feet in height.

With the assistance of smudge pots placed every thirty feet throughout the prune orchard, and which contained one gallon of crude oil, costing five and a quarter cents laid down at the ranch, it



PEAR ORCHARD OF OLSEN FRUIT COMPANY, YAKIMA VALLEY, WASHINGTON, MAY, 1909

was possible to save the crop during the hard winter of 1909, the first freeze experienced in this valley in thirteen years. It may here be stated that this ranch was one of the pioneers in the introduction of smudge pots in the valley, and have found them to be one of the greatest discoveries in the advance of modern horticulture.

The packing house on the ranch is probably one of the largest individual establishments of its kind in the state, being 40x140 feet in dimension, with a six-foot covered platform entirely surrounding the same.

The capacity of the packing house during the prune-packing season was

about 2,000 crates per day; 3,000 crates could easily be packed in the event of a heavy crop. It is possible for 100 packers to work at their packing stands, one back of the other, in two long rows. During the height of the season between 175 and 200 pickers and packers were employed, and the entire crop was harvested in two weeks and on its way to market.

The fruit is graded on the platform on the outside, then passed through long, open windows onto a burlap table alongside of the packers working on the inside, who in turn, when the crate is packed, pass it to the checker, who relieves them of the crate and presents

them with a ticket entitling the packer to six cents. The fruit while being packed is inspected by two experienced men, one of whom represents the ranch and the other the buyer, thus insuring a firstclass, uniform pack

With the activity of the railroad building, the ranch is going to be benefited in no small degree, for the reason that the North Coast, which in all probability, and in fact has all the earmarks of the Chicago-Northwestern, a transcontinental line, has selected the flat immediately below the ranch as the right of way into North Yakima proper. This being a fact, it will be possible to load the fruit on the cars with but a quarter-mile haul, having at this date received assurances from the company that a loading station will be established at the distance above named.

The prospects at this date, the condition of the trees and climatic conditions, and all things taken into consideration, point to one of the largest crops that this section of the valley has ever produced.



OLSEN FRUIT COMPANY'S PACKING HOUSE, YAKIMA VALLEY, WASHINGTON

### A PRACTICAL METHOD FOR TOP GRAFTING TREES

BY H. E. VAN DEMAN

HERE are many thousands of fruit trees, especially apple trees, of bearing age in the orchards of the fruit regions of the West that need to be grafted over to better varieties. In looking over the orchards of the Yakima and Wenatchee Valleys last fall I saw same grafting that had been done, and none of it was what I would call even passably well done. There were branches grafted three and four feet from where they forked, and reminded me of boyhood days when we walked on stilts. And there were scratches, scars, dead snags and masses of sprouts about the grafts in many cases. Such work is very bad in these valuable orchards, and I will try to show a better way.

For cutting the larger branches a good pruning saw is the proper tool. The grafting knives we see pictured in the books are not nearly so good as one made of a much plainer pattern. The blade should be about three and a half inches long, three-quarters wide and oneeighth thick, with a handle not over four inches long. The metal should be the best of spring steel, or an old file will do if it is first ground smooth. The metal should extend the full length of the handle, so that it may be of good strength. The blade end should be drawn to a sharp edge and the square point likewise drawn to an edge to be used as a wedge or lever in opening the stumps for inserting the scions. A hardwood club about ten inches long will serve as a mallet to drive the blade in splitting the stubs. A very sharp knife for trimming the scions is needed, a pint cup for holding the scions, and a shallow basket with a good handle for holding the tools and scions while doing the grafting.

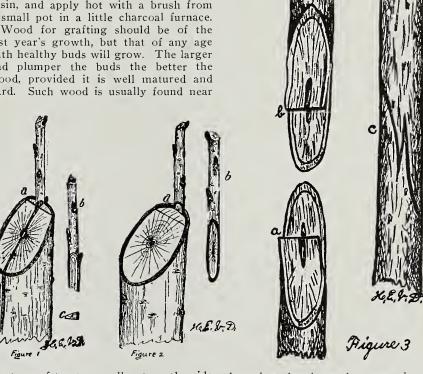
All grafting done above ground must be waxed most carefully to prevent the escape of moisture. There are several good ways of making the wax, but about

the best for ordinary temperatures is made from one part tallow, two parts beeswax and four parts rosin. Another good formula is, one part tallow, one part paraffine and six parts rosin. These proportions may be varied a little to suit the different temperatures. It can be made much harder by using more rosin, and apply hot with a brush from a small pot in a little charcoal furnace.

last year's growth, but that of any age with healthy buds will grow. The larger and plumper the buds the better the wood, provided it is well matured and hard. Such wood is usually found near

be budded to change their tops. Nut trees are still more difficult to graft.

One of the main points in grafting is that the scions should be set in the



the tops of trees or well out on the side branches. It must never be allowed to dry out in the least or its vitality will be lowered.

Never attempt to graft weakly or stunted trees of any age. If they are vigorous the age makes no difference. Apple and pear trees are easy to graft, but peach, plum, cherry and apricot trees are not so easy, and they are better to branches that have the most vigor, and this should be well in mind before a single one is cut. These are usually in the center of the top and on the sides, if the tree has a nominally shaped head. Strike for the leaders first. Cut them back to within six or eight inches of their junction with the main stem or where they unite with other branches. Get the new growth well down; not out

> on the tips of the branches. Do not cut branches over two and a half inches in diameter. Rather go higher and graft two or more branches above the fork, because large stumps are difficult to heal over.

> Always make the cuts diagonally across the branches, at an angle of about forty-five degrees. Never make square cut stumps, for they rarely heal over for several years, and often have ugly dead places. Clip off the point of each stub with a knife sufficient to make a place to set the scions, and never set more than one in each stub. The illustrations show how all this should be done. Such wounds will heal over quickly and smoothly, and sometimes entirely the first year. If the stocks are very vigorous this often occurs. Two or more scions in one stump cause ugly and undesirable forks.



PEAR ORCHARD OF OLSEN FRUIT COMPANY, YAKIMA VALLEY, WASHINGTON, SEPTEMBEK, 1909

The most popular method of grafting trees of bearing age while they are dormant is the cleft style. It should begin as soon as freezing stops in the spring and continue until the buds begin to swell, when the bark graft can be used. The stumps having been cut as before described, beginning at the top of the tree and working downward, they should be split with grafting knife through the center. In driving the blade down with the club mallet, care should be used to have it lower on the side where the scion is to be set than on the other, that the edge may cut a smooth place for the scion instead of tearing the bark open. A small lot of scions should be trimmed ready for setting and put in the cup, in which is a little water to keep them fresh. Three inches is about the right length for the scion, with a bud at the top and another an inch from the bottom. The trimming must be done with a very sharp knife, making a long, smooth, tapering cut on each side of the bottom bud about an inch long. The edge of the wedge thus made should be thickest on the side next the bud, so it is sure to fit tight when inserted in the stock. The trimmed scion is shown at b in Figure 1, and a cross-section of the wedged part at c. With the point of the grafting knife thrust into the split in the top of the stump and used endwise as a pry, the scion may be carefully put in place. The cambium of stock and scion should be brought together, for this is the place, and the only place, that vital union can

be made from the cellular growth. Too much care cannot be taken on this point, for on it depends the success of the whole operation. The bud at the top of the wedge should be at or a little below the top of the stub. At a in Figure 1 the scion is shown properly set.

An excellent way to graft small trees or branches is by the splice method. This is very easy to do and yet it requires a skillful hard to make the cuts just right. The knife must be very sharp and with a strong handle that can be securely gripped. With a steady hand make a long, loping cut that severs the branch to be grafted. One-third the distance from the point of the stub thus made make a downward slit about half an inch deep, forming a tongue as is shown in Figure 3 at a. Make similar cuts on the butt end of the scion, as at b. Endeavor to have the wood from which the scion is cut of the same diameter as the stump, so they will match on both sides when put together, as at This, however, is not essential, for if the scion is quite smaller it may be set on one side and will grow very well. But the better the fit the better the chances for the cambium layers growing together, which is the vital point. The splice should be tied firmly with a small cotton string that will break easily as the growth begins, and then all waxed

After the bark will peel and up to the time the leaves are full size grafting may be done by the bark methods. One of



M. E. OLSEN President and manager of Olsen Fruit Company Parker Bottom, Yakima Valley, Washington

them is shown in Figure 2. The stump is cut off just as for the cleft graft, but it is not split. Only the bark is slit with a knife on the point of the stub. The wood should have been kept dormant in some sort of cold storage, as in the sawdust of an ice house, until needed for this operation. Cut the scion the same length as for the other methods, about

three inches, and trim them from one side only and to a long, sharp point. Insert the point where the slit is made on the stub and push it down about the full length of the cut. Tie it firmly to the stub with a string and wax over every part of the wound.

It is advisable to have a helper to do the waxing, rather than for the grafter to daub his hands with the wax and the tallow that is necessary to keep the wax free in the hands. Every part of the wound should be covered perfectly, but the coating need not be very thick. Inexperienced waxers usually apply too much wax, which is wasteful. A little lump of tallow should always be at hand, but some use water to prevent the hands from becoming sticky. Warm water is sometimes needed to warm the wax, or a charcoal pot, when the weather is cool, but the warmth of the hands is usually sufficient to keep it in workable condition. The waxer must be exceedingly careful lest he displace the scions in climbing about the tree. The success of the entire job depends upon the manner in which he performs his part of the work.



PRUNE PICKING IN ORCHARD OF OLSEN FRUIT COMPANY, YAKIMA VALLEY, WASHINGTON

### CHARACTERISTICS AND HABITS OF THE BUD MOTH

BY A. L. MELANDER, PULLMAN, WASHINGTON

PPARENTLY, the bud moth was first introduced into the North-

west about 1893. That year it was discovered at Genessee, Idaho, having been brought in on nursery stock from New York. Shortly after, it was discovered in a number of districts in Western Washington, and recently it has invaded many of the apple-growing districts in the eastern part of the state.

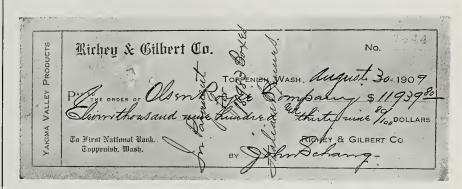
Although the bud moth did not gain a foothold at Genessee, it most assuredly has become acclimated west of the Cascares. There is scarcely an orchardapple, plum, cherry or peach—that does not show signs of its work, so rapidly has it spread. The insect also occurs in British Columbia, Western Oregon, and presumably, even into California. Eastward it has not spread so rapidly. It is, not considered a pest in Idaho, and Colorado fruit growers do not have to contend with it. However, in the Northeastern states and in Canada it is a troublesome pest, having been introduced there from Europe many years ago.

The bud moth attacks the apple principally, but it is a greedy devourer of any orchard trees. In early spring, just when the trees have leaved out, the unsightly webbing together of terminal shoots or the destruction of the blossoms is only too common an occurrence in the infested orchard. This work of the bud moth is conspicuous, so that any grower should remember whether his trees were affected last year, and thus he is forewarned to take action against the pest this season.

The bud moth passes the winter in a tiny weather-proof cocoon, an eighth of an inch in length and colored exactly like the bark. Even bits of bark or lichens may be woven into the cocoon to

(TMETOCERA OCELLANA)

midst of which they feed. When the tree blossoms they move to the flower clusters and nibble at the stems of the blossoms. They are greedy creatures, biting here and there and destroying



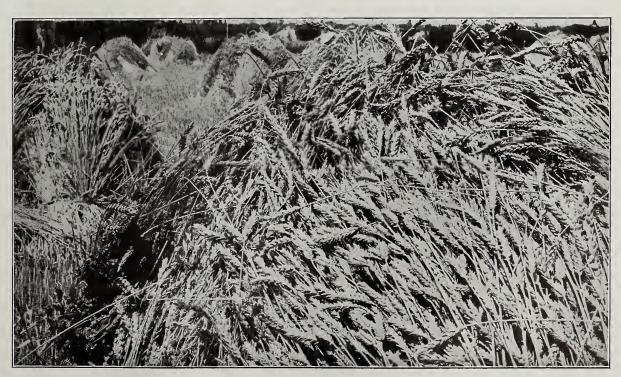
FACSIMILE CHECK OF RICHEY & GILBERT, OF TOPPENISH, WASHINGTON, TO OLSEN FRUIT COMPANY IN PAYMENT FOR 18,983 BOXES OF ITALIAN PRUNES

render it more inconspicuous. These winter cocoons are hidden alongside of buds, in crotches or in cracks in the bark, and even close searching fails to disclose many. In the cocoons the worms sleep through the winter, awaiting spring. When the sap starts and the buds swell the tiny worms open their cocoons and after a few days emerge to take up their existence as a bud worm.

Some bud worms appear early, others are more tardy. They attack terminal shoots or unfurling buds, spinning the leaves together to form a nest, in the

much more than they need for food. In a few weeks the nipped leaves and blossoms become dead and dried, affording conspicuous evidence of the presence of the pest.

When the bud worm is nearly full grown, at which time it is a reddish brown color and is considerably smaller than a codling worm, it spins a loose tube within its nest of leaves, within which it usually pupates. Some of the late worms seem to form loose cocoons in such sheltered places as the stem end of apples or among loose bark, in which case their cocoons are closer knit.



WHEAT FIELD NEAR CALDWELL, IDAHO. EIGHTY BUSHELS PER ACRE. GROWN BY IRRIGATION

resembling those of the codling moth, but smaller.

Quite likely there are several broods of bud moth in Washington. The earliest individuals are true bud insects, attacking the unfurling leaves and opening blossoms. Those appearing later in the season are leaf and fruit eaters. After midsummer the bud worms feed usually on the under side of the leaves, along which they spin their tubes of silk. When disturbed they retreat into their nests. Most of their feeding is done at night.

Although several dozen articles have been written about the bud moth, none mention it as a pest of fruit. It seems undoubtedly true that late in the season the bud moth will devour apples. Attention was first called to this feeding habit by the condemnation of a shipload of apples from Orcas Island in the fall of 1907. Although the identity of the apple insect was doubtful, the presence even of any insect injury being questionable, inquiry disclosed the fact that late bud worms sometimes will feed on the fruit. The question is a serious one. Undoubtedly some of the so-called "stung" apples of Eastern as well as Western Washington have been made unsaleable because of the nibbling of bud worms. Just how much of this damage should be ascribed to the bud worm and how much to the codling worm it is impossible to determine.

The bud moth is generally considered as a difficult foe to combat. The usual prescription is a spraying of arsenate of lead, one pound to fifty gallons, given as soon as the first injury manifests itself. However, this treatment never gives perfect results. The leaves are growing too rapidly and thus spread the poison. The worm does its feeding within its nest and thus escapes. This spraying of an arsenical should be repeated in a week or so for the best



HOME AND STRAWBERRY FIELD OF S. C. ZIEGLER, WHITE SALMON WASHINGTON

Of late years I have recommended as a substitute for the dubious arsenical applications a forceful spraying of sulphur-lime. This is normally given anyway to check scale, aphis, red spider, etc., and should serve for the bud moth also if applied a little later than usual, after the over-wintering worms have opened their cocoons. If sprayed before that time the worms escape destruction owing to the spray-resisting construction of the winter cocoons. Spraying in this manner just before the buds burst has been tried by practical growers in Western Washington, and with success. For best effects this sulphur-lime spraying should be given under as great a

pressure as possible. Bordeaux nozzles alone should be used, and they should be provided with an angle coupling setting them at about forty-five degrees to the extension rod. The spray should be thrown downward so as to wet behind the buds and inside the crotches, the places where these insects hide.

Summer treatment for late worms is unsuccessful. Arsenate of lead applied with an undersprayer may be used if it is deemed necessary. Certain it is that orchards have been sprayed for codling moth, and yet produced many "stung" apples; but whether it was the bud worm or the codling worm that bit the fruit can not at present be determined.

#### Other Apple Insects.

Washington has several apple-feeding insects. The number is small, however, as compared with the older communities. Most of the destruction in the state is caused by the codling moth, which is quite generally spread throughout the commercial apple growing districts of Eastern Washington. The Japanese apple miner, a small moth related to the codling moth, is recorded from the Puget Sound region, but is certainly very rare. In Whatcom and Kittitas Counties there is a new apple mining saw fly. Saw flies generally are leaf-

feeders, but this species produces a green caterpillar that burrows into the fruit. There is some evidence that the Eastern apple maggot has secured a foothold near Spokane. This insect is sometimes known as the railroad worm. It constructs a narrow tunnel here and there through the fruit. I have seen no specimens as yet.

The peach twig borer, an insect closely related to the bud worm, is declared likewise to have apple-nibbling habits.



PLATE OF APPLES FROM CALDWELL, IDAHO

### THE PREVENTION OF FROST-INJURY IN ORCHARDS

ADDRESS DELIVERED BY F. A. HUNTLEY BEFORE 1910 MEETING OF WASHINGTON HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY AT WENATCHEE

THE prevention of frost-injury to fruit buds and blossoms in the early spring is a subject of vital interest in many localities. That such injury can largely be prevented under certain conditions has been demonstrated. As a matter of fact, the prevention of frost-injury by smudging has been in practical use for centuries. In view of this, it seems strange that there is not a better understanding of the principles involved among those most vitally interested in the subject.

When the trees are in bloom, the temperature of the air must not be allowed to fall to the freezing point or the blossoms will be injured and the result will be a shortage, or, most likely, a total loss of the fruit crop.

The object we are seeking is to place an artificial check upon the falling temperature and hold it within the limits of safety. This problem must be worked out along scientific lines to prove of permanent value and reliability.

Heat absorption and radiation by the soil, like the laws of gravitation, are fundamental principles and operate the same now as they did before the coming of the smudge pot. The views expressed by some of the patentees of so-called "orchard heaters," who claim that a single "heater," containing less than 'a gallon of oil, will raise the temperature of over 15,000 cubic feet of cold air ten degrees and maintain such temperature for a period of from five to seven hours, are not only unintelligent, but absurd.

If such a volume of cold air is deprived of an extensive source of heatradiation such as the earth affords in the case of smudging, any change in temperature resulting from the heat generated by a gallon of burning oil would, to quote an expert of the United States Weather Bureau, "hardly be perceptible within the range of practicability." As the actual heat of the fire counts for ture of the air immediately surrounding the trees, and preventing its rapid escape to the upper air in the great volume of which it can make no perceptible change.

The composition of the soil, and its physical conditions in regard to drain-



S. J. HINTON MARKETING HIS CROP OF APPLES, CASHMERE, WENATCHEE VALLEY WASHINGTON

nothing except in the immediate vicinity, no advantage would result from the use of any practical number of these "heaters" without the reinforcement of the latent heat of the earth absorbed during the day.

Such being the case, the subject resolves itself into the problem of working out a practical method of conserving this earth-stored heat, retaining it sufficiently long to modify the tempera-

age, determine to a very great extent the degree of heat it will maintain at different depths. If a soil has free drainage, and contains a liberal amount of sand, it will absorb and radiate heat more readily than will a soil of greater compactness and more imperfect drainage. Fortunately, most soils requiring irrigation are of a warm nature. Soils absorb heat both from the sun and from the air. While the air remains at a

higher temperature than the soil, the soil will gain heat; but as soon as the temperature of the air falls below the temperature of the soil, as it frequently does in the spring, the soil gives off heat and the temperature of the air is warmed thereby.

A soil temperature at night, during the spring months is not infrequently from ten to thirty degrees warmer than the temperature of the air. It can readily be seen what an enormous amount of heat radiation then takes place This heat will be lost, for all practical purposes, if the atmosphere is clear; but if the atmosphere is heavy, whether made so by artificial means or by natural conditions, the heat is retarded in its upward movement and the temperature of the air near the earth is greatly modified. It is true, as many know, that on cloudy nights there is less danger of frost than on clear nights. This is due to the fact that the clouds-which accompany heavy atmospheric conditions -tend to prevent the rapid



A BRANCH OF APPLES FROM THE COLUMBIA RIVER BASIN

escape of heat from the earth and hold it where it is of practical benefit to the buds and blossoms. The clouds also intercept the cold air descending from above to the earth.

The "smudge" idea is to create an artificial cloud to hang low over the area to be protected. This "cloud" acts as a cover through which the heat escapes slowly, and the cold air coming down penetrates slowly, and the heat radiating from the earth is thus saved within the limits of usefulness and the rapid fall of the temperature of the air is prevented. The basis of this artificial cloud, for most practical purposes, covering extended areas, is smoke. With certain limitations, the condensation of moisture, in addition to the smoke, is beneficial, as moist air is heavier than dry air. The best material to use in making this cloud or "smudge" is something that will burn with a slow, smouldering fire and produce quantities of smoke. Materials which burn quickly may do more harm than good, as they afford little smoke and cause upward currents of air which carry off the heat rapidly. One "orchard heater" patentee, who is at present advertising his particular contrivance extensively, claims as its strong point that it has a central draft and will produce clean, unadulterated heat, with little or no smudge. It would seem that this man has undertaken to heat the heavens.

So far as recent tests have demonstrated, where large areas are to be protected the most practical and economical material to burn is crude or fuel oil, although some of the most successful attempts at smudging have been made by burning coarse straw manure and other damp vegetation which make very little fire but furnish great volumes of smoke. The burning of such material, however, is not advisable because of the inconvenience in handling it and also because of the ultimate depletion of the fertility of the soil following such a practice.

Some of the patentees of smudge pots make the claim that the scientific principle of heat absorption and radiation by the earth is not correct, but that heat of the fire from the smudge pot is the saving element, citing the fact that their little fires afford protection when the wind is blowing and the smoke rapidly drifts away. The fact of the matter is, as many horticulturists know, that vegetation will endure many more degrees of cold without serious injury as long as the air is in motion.

The features most to be desired in a smudge pot are simplicity and efficiency at a minimum cost. I would recommend:

First, that the model smudge pot have a capacity of more than one gallon.

Second, that the flame, or amount of combustion, be under

control and subject to regulation as may be required.

Third, that the opening at the top be

sufficiently large for convenient refilling. Fourth, that it have flaring sides, which will favor the burning of oil thinly spread out around the edges.

Fifth, that it will "nest" compactly with others of its kind to facilitate convenient and economic transportation and

Sixth, that its cost shall not exceed ten or twelve cents complete, including

With these points in view, I have designed a model which has been styled



AN AFTERNOON TROUT CATCH NEAR THE DALLES, OREGON

the "Huntley" smudge pot, and it affords me much pleasure to present this model to the fruit growers of the Northwest, with the free privilege to copy and manufacture, trusting that it will be received with favor and that it will meet every requirement for which it was designed. The Kennewick Fruit Growers' Association, after thoroughly testing many of the more expensive and complicated patent smudge pots, have adopted the "Huntley" model for their coming campaign against frost injury in the Kennewick district.

In conclusion, I would emphasize the

fact that no smudge pot, however modeled or designed, can be productive of satisfactory results without the vigilant care and attention of the fruit grower being devoted to the conditions in his orchard during the period of danger from frost. In view of the fact that the earth begins to part with its heat early in the evening. as soon as the temperature of the air cools below the temperature of the soil, it is most important that fires be lighted carly—before this natural heat is lost to the immediate surroundings and before the rapid descent of cold air takes place. For this purpose it is not necessary to start the pots burning at full blast at first, as a little smudge is often sufficient to check and hold the heat which is being given off by the earth during the early evening.



EIGHTEEN BOXES PICKED FROM CAMERON'S ORCHARD, WHITE SALMON, WASHINGTON. SEVEN-YEAR-OLD TREE

#### HOW CAN ONE MAKE A LIVING ON A SMALL TRACT?

BY PHILO K. BLINN, COLORADO AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, FORT COLLINS, COLORADO

HIS question is earnestly asked by two classes of people who, because of poor health or uncongenial surroundings and employment, are anxious to try it, and desire to invest their earnings in land that they may eventually make a living from it. For such, plenty of advice is found in the land booming real estate literature, for the alluring accounts of the large sums of money realized from small areas are sure to attract a person in necessity; especially so when the claims and figures are backed by the most convincing proofthe personal testimonials from the men who have actually secured the results. The fact that it has required an equipment of perhaps years of training and experience is not mentioned, or that the condition of soil fertility was ideal, or that specially favorable climatic and market conditions prevailed which made the returns possible. These points are kept in the background; and the items of cost and expense are seldom deducted or even mentioned.

Another class of people are asking the same question—those who have tried it, honest, hard-working men and women, who have lacked the necessary resources, experience and favorable opportunities to "make good." It is unfortunate that



ONE OF THE SOURCES OF IRRIGATION IN SOUTHERN IDAHO

so much misleading information is sent out, for reaction is sure to follow.

Hardly a mail comes to the Colorado Agricultural College and Experiment Station that does not contain letters of inquiry upon the essence of this question—information which in many cases it is impossible to furnish in a way that will be satisfactory to the inquirer, for so much depends upon the local conditions and the ability of the man to cope with obstacles.

There is no question about the right kind of men in the right kind of surroundings making a good living on a small tract in truck farming, poultry and fruit. Every experienced man knows that many small farms are failures; that is, the ten and fifteen-acre farms devoted to field crops, like grain, beets, potatoes or cantaloupes. For a few years there may be bountiful returns, but eventually rotation with alfalfa is necessary, and then there must be other resources for the farmer because his small area seeded to alfalfa will not afford him a living.

A practical farmer recently remarked that "a man can buy forty acres of land at \$250 an acre, and come nearer making it pay out than if he bought ten acres at the same price." The profits from the ten acres will be entirely consumed by the necessary expenses, and with no force in reserve; while the forty-acre farmer will have a chance to make some profits above expenses. It is dufficult to say how small a farm can be profitably rotated. Much depends upon the crops and the local conditions. One thing is evident from the experience of the past; that to keep up the fertility it will require about as much land in alfalfa all the time as there is land planted to other crops. Probably from twenty-five to forty acres should be the minimum farm in Colorado outside the fruit and truck farming sections. Those that contemplate going onto a small tract should understand that there are many elements to consider before making a choice. Soil, climate, water, markets, labor, insects, plant diseases, and many minor points, besides experience and persistence.





The top picture is a view of the black sagebrush found on the bench lands near Baker City, Oregon. The lower picture shows corn crop photographed on the same land ninety days after. Photographed on "Sunnyslope," under the Baker Irrigation Company's system, adjoining Baker City, Oregon.

## LOS MOLINOS, TEHAMA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

VER in Tehama County. California, by the Sacramento River where the steamboats run, is the Los Molinos country. It lies in the northern part of the big valley just as

RICH PASTURE FOR STOCK

the east and west hill courses draw towards each other and before they close in above Red Bluff. The people over at Los Molinos have such a combination of good things that the story seems almost too good to be true. But the best way to learn about a place is to go and see it, and this is what the Los Molinos people like to have you do.

The first item which strikes the visitor is the hospitable inn with its pleasant surroundings. Travelers go out of their way to stop here, and there is scarcely another land project where the accommodations are at once so convenient and comfortable right on the ground.

Here was once a great ranch of thousands of acres, where the principal crops were grain and hay, while cattle, horses and sheep were kept in great numbers. The Sacramento River was the means of transportation and down its broad waters went the barges and steamboats laden with grain by hundreds of tons for distribution over the world.

This is now all changed. The broad acres have lately been made available for smaller homes, with modern intensive farming. They are being rapidly taken by a good class of settlers.

The visitor is next impressed with the

fine, park-like landscape, where ancient oaks are scattered over the fields, with neatly fenced highways laid for miles along the distance. Then the beautiful river is reached by which the ranch was

named: The Rancho del Rio de Los Molinos —the ranch of the river of the mills. The water is alive and sparkling, just the place for the rainbow trout and lordly salmon which play in the river's eddies. Sixteen million, and a half million more, salmon eggs secured last year -some season's many more-is the record of the work of the United States fish hatchery on this Los Molinos River where it flows through the company's lands. Also its usual flow is as

much and a little more than the estimate for the much talked about Owens River water project for which Los Angeles is paying thirty million dollars and from which such great results are looked for.

But it is the land itself, after all, that we want to see. It is the land and its supporting colleague—irrigation water full and free—that makes the wealth, and we come to that with much interest since it is told us that there is no other proposition like it anywhere.

Why is Los Molinos superior to other locations in this wonderful valley? For one thing, its elevation. It is valley land and yet more than two hundred feet above sea level. Its lands are smooth, without roll or hill, but set above dan-

ger of flood of breach. There are no levees against the great river here. This elevation, with the excellent soil and subsoil, insures perfect natural drainage, healthful surroundings and superior irrigation conditions. Whether wet by rains

or irrigation, the lands here do not remain saturated, and the water "table" or first stratum is many feet below the surface. Thus the rich soils are always easily cultivated. In support of these conditions is that other essential requisite - abundant. never failing water for irrigation cheaply applied. Compare the tremendous effort and great expense elsewhere with the supply and facilities here.

But land and water, while necessary for its

maintenance, are not alone sufficient for the making of an ideal home. There must also be pleasant surroundings. In this, also, Los Molinos is superior. The early proprietor did not, as was the case in other districts, destroy most of the trees to make room for grain planting. They had the wise forethought to leave many majestic oaks, and these are scattered with pleasing intervals about the landscape. Add to these valuable natural attractions the proximity of thriving cities, the neighborhood of prosperous homes with churches and schools, and home life becomes a real satisfaction. Besides these are good markets and convenient transportation. The River Sacramento, being navigable for several miles above Los Molinos and all the way below it to the sea, affords means for cheap competitive transportation.

There is one more requirement—climate. The only way climate can satisfactorily be discussed is by comparison with some known example. It should first be borne in mind that Los Molinos is not on the coast. Therefore, in seeking a point for comparison, an inland district should be taken. Riverside, in the south of California, is probably as



HEADING NO. 2. DIVERSION OF WATER FOR IRRIGATION SOUTH OF RIVER

well known as a desirable resident section with an attractive climate and most successful in the production of citrus fruits as any place that may be named. If a given locality, then, were found to possess the qualifications of the Riverside section, with some advantages that cannot be had at Riverside, there could hardly be any argument about the superiority of the locality in question. It is these qualifications which are found at Los Molinos.

The United States government service has been established for a number of years at Red Bluff, near Los Molinos. The advantage, if any, is in favor of Los Molinos. A tabulation from the United States Weather Bureau reports for each month in each year for ten years for Red Bluff and for Riverside shows the extremes of temperature both winter and summer to be almost exactly the same. Note that it is extremes that are referred to. Averages may sometimes confuse, but extremes show the range which may be expected.



VOLUNTEER CROP OF HAY

Los Molinos has the further advantage of a sufficient annual rainfall. At Riverside the average annual rainfall is a fraction over ten inches; at Red Bluff a fraction over twenty-six inches; at Los Molinos, slightly less than at Red Bluff. It is well known that at least from fifteen to twenty inches of water must be supplied to land every year in ordinary climates to insure a crop. This is why, as, for instance, in Southern California, it is only by skillful advantage taken of the winter rains that crops under the old mode of farming without irrigation are matured in countries of limited precipitation. When the rainfall is short there or comes at the wrong times the crop is more or less a failure. On the other hand, the rainfall at Los Molinos is shown to be ample without being excessive.

Further upon the climate of Los Molinos, the nights in the warm season are cool, there are no electrical storms worth notice nor destructive winds, and not in many years a frost severe enough to damage anything, and then only sensitive vegetation.

The lands of this charming countryside have lately been opened for occupation in smaller tracts under modern



NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY BRIDGE OVER THE COLUMBIA RIVER BETWEEN KENNEWICK AND PASCO, WASHINGTON, OVER WHICH IS HAULED THE FRUIT FROM THE GREAT YAKIMA VALLEY

methods of farming. Though advertised in the most conservative way, the result has been the obvious one of rapid settlement by thrifty homemakers. Very soon the lands available at present low prices will be taken.

This article can best be closed by a quotation from a writer on California subjects who is not connected with Los Molinos in any way and who saw the land just before it was offered for sale in its present shape.

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Los Molinos is in Tehama County, California. Its railroad station is 122 miles north by rail from Sacramento, thirteen miles south from Red Bluff. Los Molinos is the most northerly station of the Southern Pacific Railroad on the east side of the Sacramento River. Its lands lie for ten miles along the east bank of the Sacramento River and are the cream of the Rancho del Rio de Los Molinos. The company is made up of the former owners,

who incorporated to sell their own land. Their advertisement appears in this issue of "Better Fruit."

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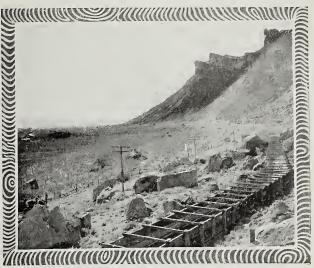
N those peach orchard districts where the winter temperature fell from

fifteen to twenty-four degrees below zero, and remained below zero for any length of time, there is great danger of more or less injury to the peach.

The peach tree may be injured by winter freezing in three different ways, viz: First, by freezing at the crown, or ground line, causing the so-called "collar ' second, by freezing girdle; back the one-year-old wood, and sometimes more; and third, by killing only the fruit buds which grow on the one-year-old wood. With the first of these there may or may not be a complete girdling of the tree at the ground line. The tree may recover if there is not a complete girdle. In the second case

the better the new wood is hardened off the less likely it is to freeze back. Where the wood has been frozen, the cambium, or growing layer, will be

found to be of a dark brown color, and in some cases the sap wood will also be found to be somewhat darkened. As everyone knows, the growth of a tree, as shown by a cross-section, takes place in a ring. Now, it is possible for freezing to take place on one side only; thus, if left alone it will grow around and over the injured side. In the last case, where only the fruit buds are killed, there probably



IRRIGATION FLUME IN COLORADO, ON THE LINE OF THE DENVER AND RIO GRANDE RAILROAD

will be some live leaf buds and also some dormant and adventitious buds.

For these reasons, in regard to the possible recovery of some of the growing wood, fruit buds and the outgrowth of dormant and adventitious buds, it is not advisable nor is it practicable to prune peach trees which have undergone winter freezing during the dormant season.

Another reason for not pruning such trees until the growth in the wood and buds commences is that it is almost impossible to tell what to prune. Pruning at this time one may cut off too much, thus causing a "dehorning" which later on might give trouble. While if left alone until the buds start, some parts at least may recover.—By R. S. Herrick, Field Horticulturist, Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis.

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RUIT GROWERS throughout the Northwest are beginning to realize that exhorbitant retail prices on Northwestern apples in Eastern cities is a serious question, and that it is restricting trade. No attention was given this feature until "Better Fruit" published an editorial on the subject. In the March number the subject was covered fully by an article entitled "Consumption of Fruit," and also a short article called "Kicking." If you have not read these two articles, don't fail to do so. Every influence and pressure should be brought to bear to cause and compel the retailer to sell Northwestern apples at a reasonable profit. Northwestern apples as a rule in an Eastern city will not cost the retailer any more than \$3.00 per box. He can afford to retail them at \$6.00, making 100 per cent profit. As a matter of fact, he retails them at a price ranging from 75 cents to \$1.50 per dozen, or from \$10 to \$15 per box. He is making 300 to 400 per cent profit. These prices are exhorbitant and prohibit the consumption of fruit, and large consumption of fruit is what the Northwest demands.

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 $\Diamond \ \Diamond \ \Diamond$ THE LAFEAN BILL-There are some very strong fruit growers' associations throughout the Northwest territory, a complete list of which appeared in the March issue. "Better Fruit," editorially in many issues, and in other ways, endeavored to show the value and importance to the fruit growers of associations, and in the districts where good associations exist the fruit growers have found from practical experience that the association can buy all materials used by the fruit growers in carload lots, supplying them at wholesale prices and saving immense sums of money for them. The buyer has also found that the association also puts up a uniform pack, which cannot be put up by a lot of individual growers according to their own ideas. It has been proven that Eastern buyers prefer to buy through an association instead of buying from a lot of individuals, because they can rely on the grades, and what is more, the grades are guaranteed by the association. The growers have found that through a good association, properly run and managed, that they realize far better prices than they ever secured as individual shippers or consigners. Organization is the foundation of success. It was through the different associations in the Northwest that a meeting of the fruit growers was called by the National Apple Show at Spokane to discuss measures for opposing the Lafean Bill. Through the efforts of the associations largely the Porter Bill was killed. Through the efforts of association workers representatives were sent from Wenatchee, Yakima, Spokane, Idaho, Hood River, Willamette Valley and Southern Oregon to Denver to attend the meeting of the Western Jobbers' Association, and to Washington to appear before the Congressional Committee to oppose the Lafean Bill, and while definite information has not been received by the committee up to this date the general impression of those representatives from the Northwest who were present is that the bill will not come up before Congress this year. We believe we are justified in saying that the fruit growers of the Northwest are in favor of the right kind of a bill, along the right lines; one that will call for

uniform sized box being used through-

out the different apple districts and for uniform and standard grades. believe the fruit growers are ready not only to endorse the right kind of a bill, but to earnestly work for it, but we have not met a single fruit grower in the Northwest territory who is in favor of the size box, 2,342 cubic inches, as recommended by the Lafean Bill, and we do not see why the East has any right to arbitrarily adopt some size box that has never been used anywhere and dictate it should be used, or that the large apples of the West be put on the same grade as smaller apples of many of the Eastern sections.

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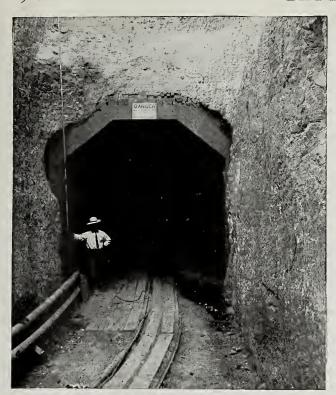
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THERE are lots of good fruit districts throughout Colorado, Utah, Montana, Idaho, Oregon, Washington and British Columbia, but they are not all alike. Each one has its individual soil and climatic conditions, which must be

carefully studied in order to enable the grower to determine wisely what to plant. Almost every district has certain kinds of fruit that do better than other kinds, and certain varieties that do better, and those intending to plant an orchard should study conditions. They should visit the old orchards and find out from fruit growers what varieties are hardy and thrifty, what varieties bear well and regular, what varieties ship well, what market there is to reach, and what other districts come in competition with the particular district where he intends to plant his orchard.

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THE Easterners who wanted to make the A grade two and a half inches in diameter, or, in other words, to make apples that run 150 to the box the fancy grade,

did not like it when the Westerners, who grow larger and fancier apples from 128 to 45 to the box, wanted to have these put in as Grade A and the small size, four and one-half tier, 128, Grade B. Well, we guess not. But they did want to dictate the size of the box the Northwest should use, so as to disturb the uniformity of pack of the Northwest, which has met with so much success among the Eastern trade. We want a fruit bill, but we want it right, square and fair to all districts, and we don't want one that discriminates against the Northwest.

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THE crop throughout the Northwest at the present time bids fair to be the best ever produced. The quantity of fruit will be larger this year than at any time previously, which is a

matter worthy of consideration on the part of every fruit grower and every association. It is time to begin studying the situation with a view of increasing the consumption of fruit. This can be done in two ways by increasing the distribution: By supplying those cities with Northwestern fruits which have never received them before, and by regulating the prices so as to increase the consumption. Every district should make a study of market conditions thoroughly, and we hope no district will be short-

sighted enough to demand a price that is unreasonable. Prices should be made right, so that the consumption of fruit will commence at the harvest time and continue through the season. If fruit is held at too high a price, a price which is prohibitory, particularly apples, it means that they go in cold storage, to be held until late in the season, and doing this is just what works serious It prevents consumption during the first half of the season and holds up twice the amount of fruit to be marketed the last half of the season, which is more than the season can consume, and consequently, the supply being greater than the demand, it compels the seller to accept too low a price.

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EVERY fruit grower who has not got a spring wagon to haul fruit to market should either get one before the fruit season commences or should buy springs that could be put under the bed, which will prevent bruising. Every wagonload of fruit should be covered with canvas to keep out the dust, so that fruit reaching the market will be in clean condition.

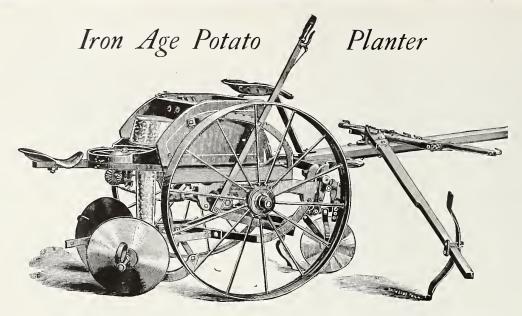
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In OUR opinion, the damage from codling moth is due largely to lack of thoroughness. We honestly believe a greater per cent of wormy apples is caused by lack of thoroughness than from any and all other causes. We believe every fruit grower, at least those who have an orchard of any size, should have a power sprayer. You can get just as much power with a hand outfit to do your spraying with, but as a matter of fact you don't. The hired man doesn't keep the pressure up when you are away, and if you are on the ground yourself, you are only human and would get tired as well as the hired man.



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Colorado Potató Beetle In The Northwest.—J. M. Aldrich of Moscow, Idaho, writes thus in regard to the common "potato bug" of the Mississippi Valley and the East generally: Notwithstanding the fact that it was originally a native of Colorado, it has never spread westward to any extent until very lately, being even now unknown in its native state in the region west of the continental divide. With the exception of two mountain valleys of Montana, the only part of the Pacific slope where it has obtained a foothold is in the northern part of Idaho, southeast of Lewiston. Here it has been present four or more years, spreading each year, until now it occupies a territory approximately twenty-five miles east and west by fifty north and south. Within this large area there were few potato patches not infested last summer, and the end is not yet, for there is every prospect of a greater spread this year. In Eastern Washington and Northern Idaho growers of potatoes should be very watchful for the first two or three weeks after the vines come up, destroying any adult beetles that may appear, together with any eggs that they have laid. In several cases

around the edges of the infested region this was enough to exterminate the insect for the year. The adult beetles winter in the ground, often at a considerable distance below the surface. They emerge about the time the earliest potato plants are coming up, but often do not readily find the food plant, and are then likely to take wing, driven by hunger, and may fly several miles when once in the air. Hence, around an infested area they will be dropping down out of the air along in May, and here and there one will succeed in finding a potato patch and will lay eggs and thus start a colony. It is in the hope of securing the extermination of many of these colonies that this article is written. Since many natives of the West have never seen the insect, it may be well to add that the adult beetle is a thick-set, reddish insect about half an inch long, with the back striped with black and yellow. The most certain way of identifying the beetle is to show it to a neighbor who formerly lived east of the mountains. The usual answer of such a person is: "Why, man, I've collected them by the washtub full; I tell ye, I've just seen the vines covered," etc.

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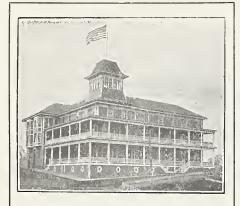
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Toppenish, Washington, December 22, 1909.

Editor Better Fruit:

I desire to correct a criticism made a year ago of the Delicious apple. I am now fully persuaded that the apple which we handled as "Delicious" last year was not the Stark Delicious, though very similar to that apple in flavor. Our experience this year is quite different with the real Stark Delicious. As you know, we won the first prize of \$100 at the Spokane National Apple Show with the best ten boxes of Delicious apples. We have also sold quite a number of boxes of these apples at from \$3 to \$5 per box. The writer has examined the Stark Delicious quite carefully in one large orchard and finds the trees to be vigorous, strong growers. The Delicious apple, from the standpoint of quality and flavor, is hard to excel. Its flavor is peculiarly aromatic, pleasantly subacid, almost sweet, and particularly enjoyed by many who do not enjoy the acid, tart varieties such as the Spitzenbergs. With such, the Delicious apple will stand at the head of the list. I look for a strong demand for this variety for many years, though I do not think, as a commercial variety, that it should be planted in large areas. I believe as soon as we handle apples by the thousands of carloads instead of by the hundreds, as we do now, the Winesap, Rome Beauty and similar varieties will make the best net returns. The Delicious apple ripens a little too early in this section, but of course this can be overcome to some extent by packing at the proper season and placing in cold storage.

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A DVOCATES CALIFORNIA BOX.—Mr. W. I. Newcomb, of Sebastopol, California, writes in regard to the controversy over the Lafean bill as follows: Through the columns of "Better Fruit" I note that the growers of the Northwest want the Lafean bill amended so as to make the box at present used in the Northwest the standard apple box, instead of that advocated in the bill. It seems to be the general sentiment here that the Oregon box would be as good a standard as could be secured. This sentiment, however, probably emanates from the fact that the Oregon box is two inches shorter than the one used here and consequently holds sixteen apples less. There is one thing in favor of the California box that has heretofore been generally overlooked, and that is its adaptability for steamer shipment, owing to the fact that it is just twice as long as wide. The majority of our markets require water transportation, Australia being one of, if not the best, market we have, and especiall is this true of our Gravensteins. In conversation with Mr. Patrick Duffy, who handles practically all our Australian shipments, I was informed that twenty-two of the boxes we use could be put in the same space that eighteen of the Oregon boxes occupy. Mr. Duffy also made this statement to a meeting of apple growers here. From this you will readily see that this matter of steamer loading facility is important and should certainly be considered in adopting a standard box. While we have no desire to force our style or size of box as standard, any more than we believe the growers of the Northwest have, we cannot get around the fact that the adoption as standard of the Oregon box, as advocated by the convention of representative growers at Spokane, would materially affect our "steamer" markets, as cost of transportation to these markets is a big item.

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M ILTON FRUIT GROWERS' UNION.—A meeting of the stockholders of Milton Fruit Growers' Union was held February 11 at Davis Hall, in Milton, Oregon. Election of directors for the ensuing year and reports of business for the past year were the primary object of the meeting, but many important matters were brought up. A resolution was adopted asking the county court of Umatilla County to pay the expenses of

of Umatilla County to pay the expenses of Deputy Fruit Inspector Campbell while attend-ing a state meeting of inspectors to be held at Corvallis, Oregon. Representatives of two concerns manufacturing

orchard heating devices were present and gave the members many ideas of value. The work of the union being so thoroughly satisfactory, the business will continued to be conducted by the same officers. Business transacted last year amounted to more than \$112,000. Labor received nearly \$12,000, this item including about \$3,500 paid for packing apples and also covering cost of sorting and grading, these items being paid from each grower's account. It was stated that the business was con-



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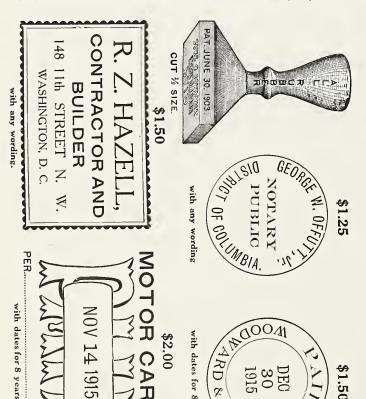
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ducted upon five per cent of the receipts. Growers placed their orders with the manager, Mr. Lamb, for the season's supply of spray materials. The union is in good condition financially. Besides its property it has on hand approximately \$2,000 worth of material. Many nitembers and others signed contracts for the handling of the coming crop, which promises to reach the quarter of a million mark this year. The greatest harmony and good feeling exists, which augers well for the success of co-operative marketing in the Milton district.

THE PROPOSAL to hold in Vancouver in November the first Canadian National Apple Show was warmly endorsed at a meeting held in the office of the Tourist Association in Vancouver, British Columbia. A provisional committee of representative citizens was appointed, which will request the mayor to call a public meeting with the object of forming a permanent association. The success attending apple shows in the United States, particularly that held in Spokane, as also the interest manifested by various public bodies in British Columbia in the proposal to establish a like exhibition in Vancouver, was pointed out by Maxwell Smith. Not only had the newspapers of the province endorsed it, but favorable resolutions had been adopted by all the agricultural bodies interested in fruit culture at their annual meetings. Mr. Smith added that he had personal assurances of support from all the members of the legislature whom he had interviewed. The following provisional committee was appointed: The mayor, Sir C. H. Tupper, K. C., and Messrs. H. A. Stone, president of the Board of Trade; F. J. Frocter, president of the Board of Trade; F. J. Miller, president of the Exhibition Association; J. H. Procter, president of the Conservative Association; J. H.

Senkler, K. C., president of the Liberal Association; R. H. H. Alexander, C. S. Douglas, B. F. Dickens, J. N. Ellis, Maxwell Smith and Elliott S. Rowe.

SPEAKING in Portland the other evening, Director Shepard, of the Hood River Apple Growers' Union, offered excellent advice to the people interested in growing and handling the apple crop of the Pacific Northwest, says the Oregonian. The most important point brought out in his address was that in which he accused retailers of injuring the demand for apples by charging exorbitant prices. Mr. Shepard stated that a box of apples, for which the grower received about \$2.25, reached the hands of the retailer via the association and the commission merchant at a cost of approximately \$3. For these apples the retailer is then accused of exacting prices which in some cases bring a profit of 500 per cent. There is, of course, a limited number of consumers who will pay very high prices for first-class fruit. Unfortunately for the fruit industry, this class of buyers is not large enough to supply a demand for more than a moderate amount of fruit. The apple is a delicious fruit, and if it can reach the consumerat a moderate cost there are immense possibilities for widening the market. It is still, however, far from being a necessity, especially so long as the best stock remains beyond the financial reach of people of poor or only moderate circumstances. With the rapidly increasing acreage of apple orchards, this objection to present methods of marketing will be overcome by its own weight. Even the grower may be obliged to take less than \$2.25 per box, and the profits and general good of the industry to the country may be enhanced by the greatly increased demand made possible by reasonable prices. It is a commercial law as old as trade itself that high prices restrict and low prices increase consumption. Apples are not exempt, not even Hood River apples.

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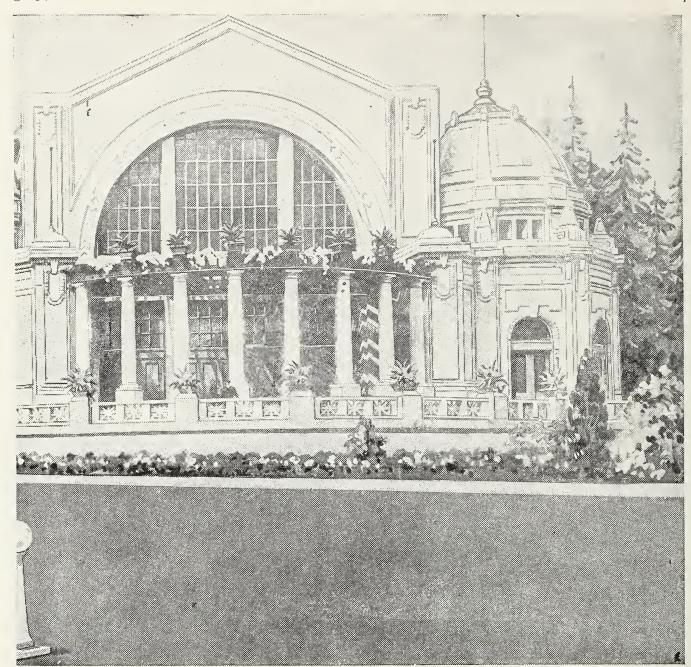
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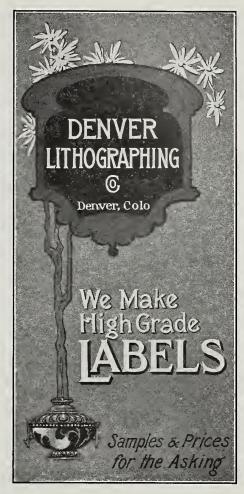


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LET ME give you a word of caution. All land land will not make orchards. Good trees on good fruit land will not succeed without proper care. All climatic conditions are not suitable for the productions of fruit, the Oregonian reports E. H. Shepard of Hood River as saying in an address recently in Portland. "How many are of the opinion," said Mr. Shepard, "that the entire North-Remember, if you think of investing, of the words of caution I have given you. If you buy of a company be doubly careful. First, make sure that the land is situated in a good fruit country. Be sure the company is responsible financially and morally, and assure yourself they will carry out contracts. If you are to set the orchard yourself, be sure you get good land. Above all, do not plant varieties because they have done well in some other district, or because they bring the highest price, but select those varieties that you are sure will do the best in your locality and will sell for the most money."





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THE FARMERS' INSTITUTE at Fruita, Colorado, January 18, convened in the auditorium of the Methodist church, with an attendance that completely filled the building. The high school students attended in a body to take notes on the

Professor Bennett of the Experimental College of Fort Collins opened the morning session with an address on "Orchard Setting and Planting." One of the principal thoughts brought out that will be of help to the farmers was that orchards should be set out on prepared land instead of raw, for the land lacks humus. In speaking of the stock of the orchard he suggested one variety of trees, and top-work the trees. But instead of making the heading close together the first year, make it far apart, so that in the course of ten years or such a matter the branches will not be in a mass, and thereby avoiding the small apples, as such injure our production. One remark Professor Bennett made that will be appreciated by the farmers was in regard to the way the trees should be left for the winter. He stated that if the farmers would stop watering in July and let them alone till after the picking season; then

water them and let the freeze come upon them while the soil is in a slushed condition, there would be fewer trees winter-killed. Owing to the fact that Professor Bennett was at one time a nurseryman, his remarks will be of much worth.

This address was followed by an address by Mr. C. R. Greisen of Hood River, Oregon. He is also a representative of "Better Fruit," one of the best fruit papers in the United States. Mr. Greisen gave a full description of the picking and packing methods at Hood River. A few would be of much profit to the farmers if followed out here. He stated that the Hood River apples were the only ones in America that are sent to English ports without port inspection. They have a fruit union that looks after the interests of the growers. He said that much fruit is spoiled in the picking. One thing they have at Hood River that would greatly improve our packing system is an apple packing school connected with the public schools, where picking and packing is taught. The packers are sent out by the union, and in packing they wear cotton gloves, so as to wipe the apples off as they are put into the boxes. Their apples are all wrapped, and instead of being put in tiers they

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Following this was an address by Professor Gillett of Fort Collins on "Spraying Apples." He spoke of the advancement attained by the valley in the course of three years in raising apples. He spoke principally on the codling moth, which is one of the most disastrous insects and the one most met with in our valley. His description of the moth was shown by illustrations. It is necessary, he said, to begin spraying the trees just when the blossoms begin to fall. This is the most important of the three sprayings of the year. The next spraying should be applied one month later, and the third and last spraying needed should be during the last of July. The address of Professor Gillett was highly spoken of as containing a vast amount of much needed information.

This address was followed by special music by the seventh grade. The chairman then introduced Mr. Paddock, one of our own local men. His talk was on "The Evil of Colorado's Packing." The main pack of Grand Valley is known as Colorado's "jumble pack." He advocated a uniform box throughout the West. He spoke of a new pack which would do away with the large apples and small apples in the same box. He also stated that paying the pickers by the picce in juries the fruit, where if a uniform price per day was paid the pickers would not have to hurry so to make their wages. He encouraged the farmers to co-operate with the local fruit association in every way.

Professor Weldon of Grand Junction then discussed "The Scale Insect." The one most forcibly emphasized is that which sucks on the trees until they are useless. The scale is found at this time of the year, and can be detected by the reddening of the bark. He claimed that lime and sulphur is the best spray that can be used for it.

HOOD RIVER UNIVERSITY CLUB, most of HOOD RIVER UNIVERSITY CLUB, most of whose members are apple growers, held a smoker in the Commercial Club rooms at Hood River Friday afternoon, February 25. The club issued invitations for an informal dance on that evening, and as many of the members would be in town the committee planned the afternoon session, at which discussion of horticultural subjects was in order. Pruning, spraying and the commercial side of fruit growing were taken up. Many well known Hood River growers were on the program, including E. H. Shepard, A. I. Mason, J. L. Carter and others. F. W. Cutler was chairman of the committee having the meeting in charge.

THE recently organized Umpqua Valley Fruit Association held its second public meeting at Myrtle Creek, Oregon, on January 22, says the Mail. The launching of this new project has met with most gratifying results. The aim and object of the association is to give publicity to the splendid natural advantages which the Umpqua Valley section of the country possesses for the raising of tuscious fruits, and by a combined effort keep up a standard of excellence in raising, packing and marketing. In short, the slogan is, "For better fruit."

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counties, sagebrush has an aversion to much "water." It grows very slowly. Some big samples at the National Irrigation Show in Chicago last December were likely 100 to 150 years old. So its December were likely 100 to 150 years old. So its root system is quite interesting to the new arrival in irrigation districts. A three-foot plant has a thick root stock extending down four or five inches. Branching out from this are a goodly number of small rootlets, which gather up the necessary moisture. If these rootlets are cut off at the right point the brush is easily removed. It never grows again. After water is turned on it dies. The new method of ridding land of sagebrush requires a machine having some sort of attachment with knives that slide along four to five inches beneath the surface and slash off the brush where the rootlets join the root stock. The half-tone cut shows such a machine—the 20th Century Grader—a grubber, leveler, ditcher, road grader, border thrower, lateral maker—all in one. The grubber attachment is fastened to the pole to

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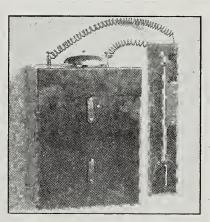
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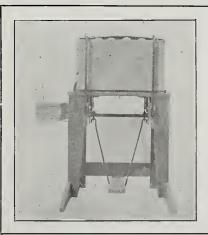
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THE INSTITUTE MEETINGS held by the experiment station men of Fort Collins, Colorado, during two weeks in January were the most enthusiastic ever held in that state. The amount of benefit to fruit growers of every district is inestimable. The attendance was large, showing that Colorado fruit growers were wide awake and in line for better fruit. A day's meeting was held in each of the towns of Fruita, Grand Junction. Clifton, DeBeque, Grand View, Rifle, Montrose, Olathe, Delta, Cedaredge, Hotchkiss and Paonia. We regret that space will not permit giving an account of each one of these institute meetings. The press is to be thanked for the splendid news items given out about these valuable meetings.

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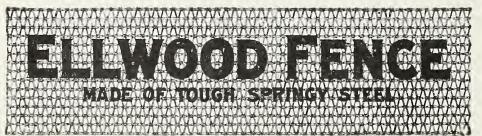
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#### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Paonia, Colorado, March 16, 1910.

Editor Better Fruit:

Editor Better Fruit:

1 have the copy of "Better Fruit" which contains the write-up of the Colorado National Apple Exposition. You certainly deserve the unqualified gratitude of Colorado apple growers for the expense you have gone to in issuing such a fine edition. The March issue is certainly a great edition and I am proud to have had the privilege of writing the leading article, poor and unworthy as it is. If at any time I can be of assistance to you in the preparation of an article you have only to eall on me. My hope is that your patronage continues until you get even and make a barrel of money.

Very sincerely,
Clinton L. Oliver,
Secretary Colorado National Apple Show.

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New York, State Editor Better Fruit:

We extend to you our sincerest compliments on your March number, which we consider the finest fruit paper ever issued. You are certainly doing wonders and deserve the thanks of everybody interested in the fruit industry. Mail at once 150 additional copies for distribution among the trade. Steinhardt & Kelly.

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[We appreciate the above telegram about as much as any we ever received, because it indicates that Steinhardt & Kelly appreciate the value of "Better Fruit" to the fruit growers of the Northwest. As sellers of Northwestern fruit in New York City to the most discriminating trade, they appreciate the importance of high-class work in every feature of the fruit business, and being close readers of "Better Fruit" they realize that we are giving the fruit growers all the modern, up-to-date and advanced ideas in growing better fruit and putting up a better pack. They indicate their belief by supporting "Better Fruit" liberally in this way and by constant advertising, from which they are getting splendid results. If more Eastern fruit dealers and commission men would take similar interest in the welfare of the fruit growing industry of the Northwest we believe a harmonious condition would prevail and better profits would be made by both the dealer and fruit grower—Ed.]

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Toppenish, Washington, February 24, 1910.

Toppenish, Washington, February 24, 1910. Editor Better Fruit:

When you were here last week the writer gave you some figures regarding our 1910 plant, but was not dead sure he had the figures right. In order to correct any false impressions, we beg to advise that our total apple plant this year will be 5,000,000 trees. Our total plant of buds in peach, plum, prune and apricot is 1,400,000. Our total pear plant is 270,000; cherry 150,000. Making in all 6,820,000 trees, not including seedlings lined out and to be lined out in the nursery row for budding purposes, which in apples amount to about 200,000 and in pears 100,000. In addition to the above we are planting this year thirty bushels of apple seed, which will require about thirty acres, five bushels of pear seed and eight bushels of cherry seeds, besides eighteen tons of peach pits. All of this seedling stock grown this season will of course be budded for next year's crop of trees. The apple plant above mentioned will require about 250 acres alone, from which you can judge somewhat of the entire area of our plant this year,



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Yours very truly,
Washington Nursery Company.

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Palisade, Colorado, March 21, 1910.

Palisade, Colorado, March 21, 1910.

Editor Better Fruit:

The March number of "Better Fruit" has just come to hand. I have been looking carefully over the contents and desire to offer a few words of commendation for the work you are doing for the fruit growers of the West. This issue of your journal is certainly a "humdinger"—the best of the kind, so far as my knowledge goes, ever published in this or any other country. Editorially, pictorially, typographically, it is a work of art, one that it would be difficult to improve. Colorado is given ample representation, and you have directed attention to its fruit section—the western slope—in a manner that cannot fail to be beneficial, affording ample proof of your statement that your work is for the benefit of the growers rather than for any particular section. Further than this, your attitude toward contemporaries in your particular line is an innovation in modern publications and should, and does, command the respect of your readers as well as the press. Wishing you every success in your work, I am,

Yours truly,

E. S. Sherman.

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L IVELY INSTITUTE AT GRAND JUNC-were in attendance at the Fruit Growers' Institute held in Grand Junction, Colorado, recently, and many growers and others anxious to hear the dis-cussions and addresses were unable to secure admission, owing to the crowded condition of the courtroom in which the institute was held, says the Grand Junction Sentinel. Several professors of the State Agricultural College, under the aus-

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pices of which the institute was held, were present, among them being Professors Gillett, Bennett and Weldon. Prominent local growers and fruit men, including A. C. Newton, A. B. Hoyt, W. S. Chandler and others, participated in the meeting. In fact, in the discussions a great number of the growers participated. There were present also one or two gentlemen from the famous Hood River country. Fruit packing, grading and many other important phases of the fruit industry were discussed in a most interesting and lively manner. Demonstrations of packing were given.

Professor Bennett of Fort Collins presided over the spirited meeting. Professor Bennett succeeded Professor Paddock in the faculty of the State Agricultural College. He is a very able man. Chris Greisen, of the famous Hood River country, and one of the editors of that popular magazine, "Better Fruit," was present at the meeting. He was here last year at a similar meeting. It is needless to say that the local fruit men made it warm for the good natured Hood River man and the debate with him formed one of the liveliest parts of the meeting. Mr. Greisen spoke on pack-

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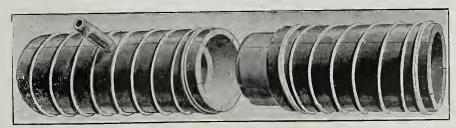
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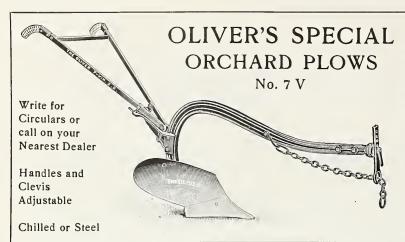


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ing apples in "The Hood River Way." He dealt interestingly with the Hood River methods of picking, packing and grading apples, also marketing them. Many questions were asked him and a great deal of interest was shown, especially as to the face or Oregon pack. Questions were "fired" at the Hood River man thick and fast.

Professor Weldon followed, speaking on the subject of "The San Jose Scale." He said this scale had appeared in ten orchards in the valley last April, and it had since spread to twenty-seven more orchards in the same vicinity. The ten orchards had been sprayed with the lime-sulphur spray and the scale practically cleaned up. An

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After dinner A. B. Hoyt gave an interesting talk on grading and packing. He explained the Grand Junction pack, which had proven satisfactory. A good many questions were asked and answered, and finally a motion was made that the meeting favored a law prohibiting the shipment of wormy apples outside of Colorado. The vote was almost unanimous in favor of such a law.

Professor Gillett then spoke on "The Codling Moth and Its Control." He gave many illustrations of the effects of spraying, and insisted that three sprayings were all that were necessary. He said that from two to four gallons of poison to each 100 gallons of water was as strong a solution as was necessary. If the first two sprays are done right the apples will be free from blemish.

Professor Bennett gave a short talk on the subject of pruning. A large number of fruit growers were present at the meeting and more interest was taken than in any meeting ever before held here.

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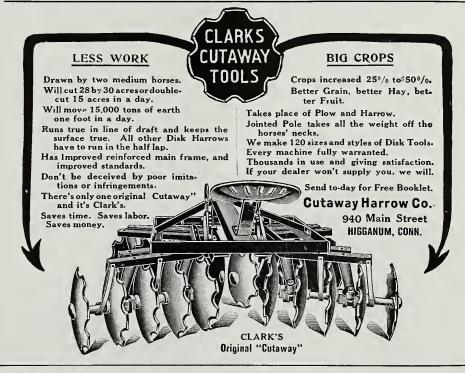
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DOISE VALLEY, Idaho, with its fertile lands and rich, sweeping benches, sometimes spoken of as the land of the "big red apple and purple prune," its two most staple fruits, will, if the present weather conditions continue, enjoy the bumper fruit crop of its history, for indications now are that the yield will be heavier, the variety better, the quality the very best, and the market steady, with a demand for every ounce that can be picked from the trees. Conservatively speaking, the crop will bring hundreds of thousands of dollars to Boise Valley farmers this year, more than ever before, due to the fact that a larger number of orchards will come into full bearing. The horticulturist is the most enthusiastic resident of the valley now, for Idaho sunshine and its rich soil are combining to bring forth actual and profitable results. The fruit crop expected during the coming season will not be an off-year one, for a small yield and an off-year was the experience of horticulturists last season. They are all living in hopes of a big crop this season, and a yield of this nature means money in the pockets of the fruit raiser. The present spring has opened with conditions decidedly favorable. An unusual winter, the worst for the past twenty-five years, has made amends to some extent by ushering in a spring that is emblematic of Idaho and warm days which have already started the peach and prune trees to budding. If the late frosts can be guarded against the valley will grow any and all varieties of fruit. The latest frost preventives have been installed by many of the more progressive farmers and orchard heating is the slogan to which they are rallying. This cannot help but mean one thing—the protection of the apple, peach, prune, apricot and pear buds from being nipped by the late frosts. Large acreage will be planted in the valley this spring to commercial orchards and of these winter apples will greatly predominate. It is the intention of the Wilson Orchard Company to plant several hundred acres to fruit. This company

the popular sizes being five, ten and twenty-acre tracts, practically all of which is either in fruit or being prepared for it. In order to encourage the industry and to bring to the doors of the fruit growers everything needed to make farming easy and the growing of fruit a pleasure, numerous factories for the manufacture of labor-saving devices have been installed. At Meridian, located in the center of the valley, is what is known as the Boise-Payette Valley Spray Manufacturing Company. This is the only plant of its kind between Ogden, Utah, and Hood River, Oregon. The company is capitalized at \$25,000 and the stockholders are all fruitmen of the valley. It will manufacture all kinds of sprays for trees.

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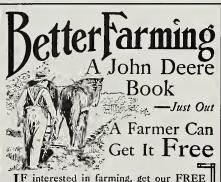
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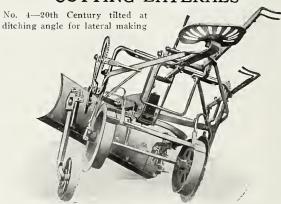
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#### INSTITUTE MEETING IS HELD AT NORTH YAKIMA

RUIT DISTRICTS of the Northwest will soon be surprisingly divided into specializing areas, said E. H. Shepard, editor of "Better Fruit," of Hood River, Oregon, at the opening session of the Farmers' Institute at North Yakima, Washington. "One variety of fruit," he said, "will do better in one section than in another and will be raised there exclusively. We are trying that already in my home in Hood River."

Mr. Shepard and Professor Thornber of Pullman, Washington, commenced the institute at North Yakima Republic. Mr. Shepard, introduced by M. N. Richards, considered "The Essentials of Successful Fruit Growing" in the following address:

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"Industry and application are two essentials of first importance; the other essentials are not so exacting. Many persons make the mistake of buying cheap trees. Five cents more a tree will amount to only \$3.50 more an acre, and you know that one good bearing tree will more than make up the difference. Prune your trees low, Cultivate thoroughly, using cultivation instead of irrigation. Do not be governed entirely by market prices in selecting varieties, but pay attention also

to quality and to market conditions. Air drainage is an essential. Trees are like people; they need the fresh air. Apples should be thinned out until those that are left are four, five or six inches apart. Proper and thorough spraying is another essential; and spraying should be intelligent. Get the cocoon of a codling moth and keep it where you can see for yourself when it is time to spray." Professor Thornber took for his subject "Planting an Orchard," saying: "I have found men preparing to plant in places in which nothing but failure awaited them. Their land may have been good, but it was not adapted to fruit growing. Good water drainage is one essential, and good air drainage is another. Avoid hardpan. Your trees need three or four feet of good soil, not necessarily of surface soil, however. Alkali is largely a plant food. Too much of it, however, is a poison. If you have good water drainage you will probably be little troubled by alkali, but the best land in the Yakima or Wenatchee countries can be spoiled by alkali if mistreated in watering. Do not get in too big a hurry to plant. In six or ten years you will make time by planting the first year a crop of oats or vetch. Beans or clover are capital. Alfalfa is ideal, only it is not easy to get it out of the land. In its original state, the nutriment in the sagebrush land is in a 'locked' condition. Select your stock. The smaller trees are the best. If possible, have your young trees propagated from bearing trees. Trees have individuality like cattle or dogs, and if you can have your nursery propagate stock from trees with which you are personally acquainted, it will be worth the extra expense. The use of fillers depends on the grower. A wise man can use them and a fool can't. The chief difficulty is in being unwilling to take them out when it is time. Fillers, especially peach fillers in this country, must be unmercifully pruncd. To make a grandstand nlay the last year, they may be girdled in June of the year preceding the last."

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they may be girdled in June of the year preceding the last."

Professor Thornber's remarks concerning girdling caused much interest. Many questions were asked and many cautions in the matter emphasized. Over 200 persons were present in the afternoom—very enthusiastic persons, who kept the speakers busy answering questions. Professor Thornber considered "Pruning Fruit Trees," illustrating his remarks by drawings on the blackboard showing the method by which he seeks to build up in the first four years of the tree's life a strong branch system which will support the fruit. "After the fourth year plant on a thin top, though not on an open top," he said. "Prune to keep the tree from lying on the ground." Numerous questions

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were asked concerning the pruning of pear, apple and peach trees, the supporting of loaded limbs, pruning of tops to meet the wind and similar matters. Mr. Shepard closed the afternoon ses-sion with a talk on "Fruit Packing," discussing the merits of the various packs and the systems of grading of grading.

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BOGUS FRUIT ON LONDON MARKET.—
Bogus Oregon apples are being put on the market in London, England, according to a letter received by the Hood River Apple Growers' Union from Garcia, Jacobs & Co., fruit dealers in London. Hood River apples have not been faked and none of them for this season have yet been put on the foreign market by Steinhardt & Kelly of New York, who bought the entire crop, but the English fruit men say that a carload of Newtowns bearing the well known Bear Creek label of the Rogue River Valley were sold in London which they believed did not come from Oregon at all. In their letter they said: "The trouble is that apples from Oregon, Washington and Idaho are advertised here indiscriminately as Oregons, and we think this is a matter which should be taken up by the associations on your side." C. E. Whistler, manager of the Bear Creek orchard, states that he has not been advised as yet of the offering of fruit under his label, and regrets it very much, in spite of the gratification of knowing that his orchard has become a by-word of quality in the foreign markets.



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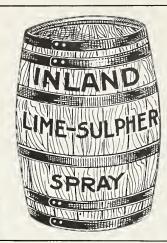
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#### MISCELLANEOUS NEWS ITEMS OF THE NORTHWEST

The Snowy Butte orchard, the property of the Olwells, was sold by Fred Hopkins for \$168,000.

Bear Creek orchards, in Southern Oregon near Medford, owned by Hunt Lewis, were recently sold for \$160,000.

The large orchard of C. L. Allen, which is said to be one of the best in the Bitter Root Valley, Montana, has been purchased by the Allomet Orchard Company. It consists of 6,000 bearing apple trees and 7,000 bearing cherry trees. It is being divided up into small tracts to be sold to

individuals. We always like to see big orchards divided up into smaller tracts. The particulars about the price of these tracts can be secured by writing C. L. Allen, Aberdeen, South Dakota.

M. L. H. Odey, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, Hamilton, Montana, is working hard in the fruit industry opposing the Lafean bill.

A Wenatchee apple orchard consisting of ten acres of five-year-old trees sold for \$30,000. Such a price indicates the splendid confidence in Wenatchee as a fruit district.

J. H. Heilbronner of Hood River recently sold his twenty-acre orchard, two-year-old trees, for \$30,000 cash. The property has no buildings, and no equipment was included in the sale.

W. E. Sherman recently sold his interest in the Friday-Sherman orchard for \$1,750 per acre. No improvements or equipment on the place. Located about five miles from the city of Hood River.

W. N. Richards of North Yakima in a recent address is quoted as saying that it is time for the rivalry of the Northwestern fruit growers to ccase and for all to work together for the common advancement of the fruit industry. This sentiment is endorsed by Wenatchee, Hood River, Moscow, Missoula and other fruit districts.

The biggest orchard transaction over occurring in the history of the business, so far as we know, is the sale of the Burrell orchard of 600 acres near Medford, Oregon, which we understand was sold to H. J. Neeley and associates for \$500.000. When capital is invested to the extent of half a million it is certainly very significant that orchards are considered gilt-edge investments.

The institute meetings held throughout the Yakima Valley under the direction of the staff of the experiment station of Pullman, Washington, are universally conceded to have been the largest most interesting and enthusiastic ever held in the State of Washington. The attendance was very large at every one of the meetings, which were held at Ellensburg, North Yakima, Sunnyside, Prosser and Kennewick.

Joseph A. Wilson, one of the first settlers to plant an orchard in Hood River Valley, and the first manager of the Hood River Apple Growers' Union, has been sent by Hood River to Washing-

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ton, D. C., to oppose the Lafean bill. Mr. Wilson takes great pride in the apple industry of Hood River and is always ready and willing to assist in promoting the interests of this section and is a ready champion for the fruit industry in general and an able representative of Hood River. Mr. Wilson had charge of the Hood River exhibits at the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition, and went to the Land and Irrigation Congress, assisted by Sam Campbell, in charge of the carload of Hood River apples which was on exhibition at the exposition. He is not only well informed on the fruit industry, but an experienced orchardist, and makes an able representative.

W. T. Clark, a large orchard owner of Wenatchee, president of the First National Bank of Wenatchee, of the Wenatchee Canal Company and of the Washington State Horticultural Society, is reported as having gone to Washington, D. C., to oppose the Lafean bill.

C. E. Whistler, one of the owners of the Bear Creek orchard, has been sent by his district to Washington, D. C., to oppose the Lafean bill. Fruit growers of Southern Oregon were wise in their selection, because no more able representative can be found in the Northwest to represent the apple industry.

Walla Walla during the month of January held a packing school in the Y. M. C. A. for the purpose of improving apple packing. The chief in charge of the packing instructions was one of the Hood River apple packers. The first packing school ever held in the Northwest was held at Hood River in 1908 under the auspices of the Hood River Apple Growers' Union. The idea immediately became popular and packing schools have been held at Wenatchee, North Yakima, Walla Walla and other places throughout the Northwest during the past year.

The Clackamas County Horticultural Society held a very enthusiastic meeting in Oregon City during the month of February and addresses were given by a number of prominent people. The following varieties of trees were recommended very highly: Yellow Newtown, Rome Beauty, Grimes Golden and Baldwin.

C. H. Sproat, secretary of the Apple Growers' Union of Hood River, made a trip to Denver to appear before the Western Fruit Jobbers' Association for the purpose of opposing the Lafean bill. From there he continued his trip, visiting Chicago, New York, Washington, Philadelphia and

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Pittsburg upon a tour of investigation in the interests of the Hood River Apple Growers' Union. Mr. Sproat is a believer in "Live and Let Live," and he believes that the grower should not be unreasonable in the prices he demands for his fruit.

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J. A. Westerlund, president of the Western Orchard Company, of Southern Oregon, says it now contains 1,760 acres, 1,040 acres being planted to apples and pears. This is one of the largest orchard tracts in the valley.

The article written for "Better Fruit" by H. S. Gile, of Salem, Oregon, who is one of the most successful prune handlers in the Northwest, has been copied by a great many other publications. This is very convincing evidence that Mr. Gile understands his business.

The Hood River Apple Growers' Union and the Hood River Fruit Growers' Union, the latter being the oldest union in the Northwest, have consolidated, for the reason that the fruit interests of the valley can be handled by one association cheaper than by two. In recent years the Apple Union has handled apples exclusively, the Fruit Growers' Union handling the berry crop and other small fruits. Hereafter all fruits of the Hood River Valley, including the famous Hood River strawberries, will be handled by the Hood River Apple Growers' Union.



A MONG the premiums for the best ten-box apple display at the recent Denver Apple Show, held at Denver, Colorado, was a silver loving cup offered by the J. C. Pearson Company ("the cement-coated nail people"). Mr. Ellsworth France, of Wenatchee, Washington, was awarded the prize.



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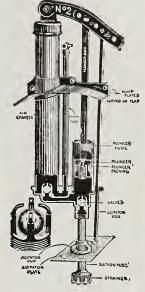
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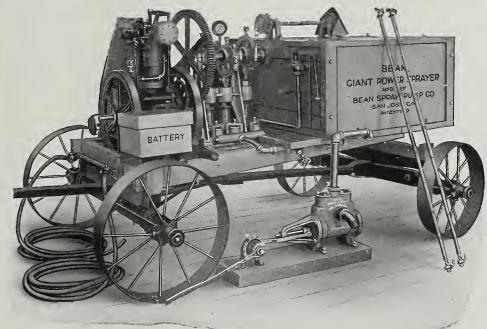
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PURE INSECTICIDES AND FUNGICIDES. At the last session of Congress a bill was introduced in both the Senate and House providing for the government control of the purity of insecticides and fungicides in much the same manner as the purity of foods and drugs is now controlled. This bill was introduced at the instance of the Association of Economic Entomologists. With the increased use of manufactured insecticides and

fungicides it has become very necessary that their quality should be standardized, so that definite recommendations for their use may be made with accuracy and so that adulterated and inferior articles may not be imposed upon the farmer. In view of the fact that many states are enacting such legislation, the manufacturers are warmly in favor of a national law which will govern interstate traffic and which will tend to secure greater uniformity of state legislation. While the passage of such a national law would not prevent state legislation, it would in most cases make special legislation by the states unnecessary, and where states desired to legislate they would tend to pass laws similar to the national law. Several conferences of entomologists, agricultural chemists and manufacturers have been held and practically all of the large manufacturers of insecticides and fungicides are heartily in favor of the measure, which is drawn to protect the legitimate interests of both the consumer and the reputable manufacturer. The measure has been again introduced at the present Congress in the House (H. R. 2218) by Hon. E. A. Hayes of California, and has been referred to the committee on interstate commerce. The bill will also be introduced in the Senate and



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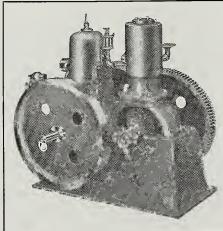
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an earnest effort will be made by the executive committee representing the entomologists, chemists and manufacturers to bring the measure to a vote before Congress. Practically all the leading horticultural and agricultural organizations of the country have endorsed the measure. It seems probable that the bill will be passed by Congress, if the members of Congress become convinced that the people wish and need such legislation. At the last session of Congress the bill was favorably reported by the Senate committee on agriculture, but this report was so late in the session that pressure of other business prevented vote at the short session. In their report this committee stated as follows:

"The bill was referred to the Secretary of Agriculture with the request for his views thereon, and the measure as amended is exactly in line with his recommendation. The legislation has the unanimous endorsement of practically all the organizations of practical growers in the country, as well as the National Grange, the National Apple Growers' Congress, the American Association of Economic Entomologists, and in fact all the organizations representing the consumers. On the other hand, practically all of the leading manufacturers are heartily in favor of the measure. Your committee considers the legislation of vital interest to the fruit and truck growers of the country and recommends its enactment in a law."

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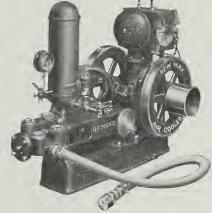
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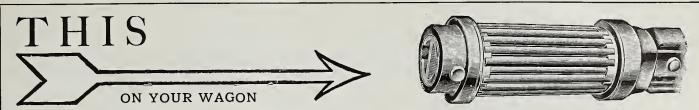
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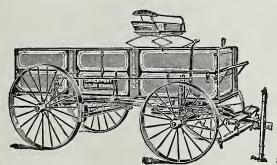


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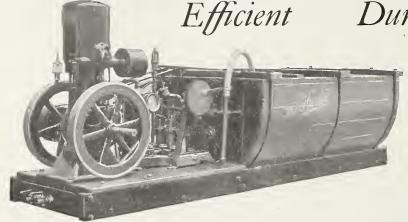
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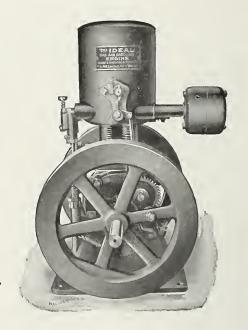
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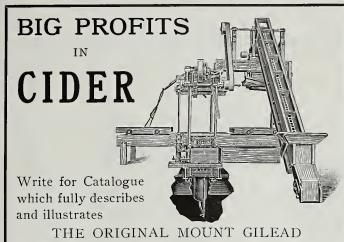


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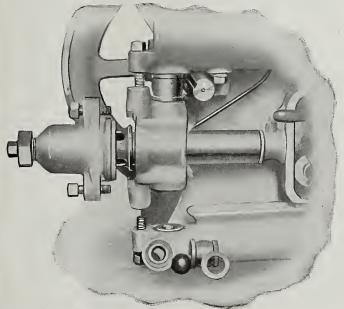
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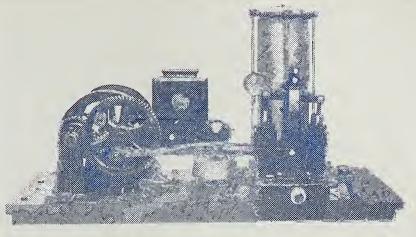
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